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Rev. E. F. Young, safe and sound leader for twenty-one years. General president of the H. B. A. Pastor of St. Luke and Zion Hill C. M. E. Churches of Meridian.

A man with a vision for his people. Always willing to help others. Was elected General President of the order without being a member.

## IMPORTANT TO PRESIDENTS

Dear Presidents: As you know, we have changed our system of book keeping, therefore it is absolutely necessary that all names on your Quarterly report blank be written clearly with ink and pen. If the Secretary of your lodge can not write a legible hand please do so your-self. In filling out the blanks, if the president can not write a legible hand so that the names can be easily read, please get some member of your lodge who writes plainly to fill out your quarterly report blank. Some time it takes all of the office force to read some of the writing and then we have to guess. I am sorry that some of you are in my fix (can not write well), but please do as I do (have it done). A number of the members marry some time, and you never notify the office of the marriage. You send the name in without a notification. Please govern yourselves relative to these matters. Again, the names are spelled out and again they are abbreviated. Please use the same method on each report blank. Some of you, in sending in your reports, will report John Johnson and wife. Please advise me as to how I shall know who John Johnson's wife is, her name might be Sallie or Sue. If you fail to spell her name it is impossible for me to give her credit.

## 1930 CALENDARS OFF THE PRESS

Dear Presidents: The H. B. A. Calendars for 1930 are now ready. All presidents who desire may call to the office for their Calendars. Should you desire them sent through the mail you may send 3 cents for postage etc., for each Calendar desired.

## CARMICHAEL, MISSISSIPPI

Dear Editor: Please give me space in the columns of the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 95 has lost a faithful member, in the person of Sister Darkest Sterling. She departed this life December 17th, 1929. She was a faithful member until death. Not only was she a faithful member in her socities but in the church as well. We hate to give up our dear Sister, but the Lord knows best. She leaves to mourn her passing a loving husband, four daughters and three sons.

Mrs. Sallie Pringle, Reporter.

Rev. Roy L. Young, builder and pastor of a $15,000 brick church, Newell Chapel, Meridian. General Secretary of the H. B. A. since 1916. A graduate of Paine College Augusta, Ga. A young man with an excellent christian quality.

To the many readers of the Echo: We the members of H. B. A. lodge No. 130 have lost our dear president in the person of Bro. H. A. Hayes. Bro. Hayes departed his life December 13th, 1929. He was a loyal and faithful president. He was a steward of the M. E. Church and a loyal member of the Sunday School. Bro. Hayes was loved by all who knew him. He was always found at his post of duty. He leaves to mourn his passing a loving wife, four sons, four daughters, five sisters, three brother and a hoast of friends.

Mittie Nelson, Secretary

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## MEN ARE MAKE-SHIFTS

This subject has been revealed to me because of the struggles that the H. B. A. has had in crucial and critical periods. When the State, some years ago, demanded that the H. B. A. put up a bond of $10,000, we lost quite a few members, because it was thought that it was unnecessary, but later on it was found to be an absolute necessity. We thought we had a lot of real men connected with the order, but we found that some of them were really make-shifts and they fell by the way. Some years a ago we attempted to buy an old building, where the new one now stands; there came about a dissatisfaction on the part of some of the make-shifts connected with the order and after we bought the building they pulled out and split the order in a crucial and critical time, but we were able through hard struggles to survive. The General Vice President at that time with a few others, whom we consider make-shifts, were in the number to split. It seems to be a hard job to get real men as General Officers and especially Vice Presidents. After we had stem the great tide of 1923 and 1924, the body decided to erect an Office-Building. As soon as plans had been perfected, and we seemed to have been moving along smothly, there arose another trouble in the office of the Vice President, According to the reports that I have in hand, if we had the cash that Rev. Harper owes the association plus the interest on said money, we would be able to take up about two notes for the association. It will be remembered that Rev. Harper stated to the convention and to the board at New Augusta, that if the accounts were presented to him he was ready to settle. On October 11, 1929 I wrote him a nice letter with statements from each local President who claimed that he had collected money for polices, of which he failed to report. The total amount was $583.40. He had paid $30.00 of that amount, which left a balance of $553.40. This article is being written December 30th, and from October 11th, to December 30th, he has not replied to the letter that I wrote him.

In this critical and crucial period when all should co-operate, in order that our debt may be cancelled as early as possible, it appears as if the "Good Rev. Harper" is representing another order, the Afro-American and by the way it is a good order. A few of the H. B. A. presidents to some extent are encouraging the members of the H. B. A. to discontinue membership with the H. B. A. and take policy with the Afro-American. I would not dare say one word against our sister order, because it is doing a splendid work and should be commended, but I think the general public should be careful as to how it lines up with my friend, Rev. Harper, because my experience has convinced me of the fact that something may happen down the road that you are not expecting.

The money that is due this order by my friend, Rev. Harper, whatever it may be, should be paid, and he should be gentleman enough and honest enough to come up and settle these accounts. When-ever associations are looking for men and fail to get men, but make-shifts, it is always a draw back to the order. Each local president who has this order at heart, as well as each member, should go the knee way and ask God for a real Vice President, something that we have not had for years. We have had numbers of our friends to tell us this would happen, but we thought maybe dishonesty was not from the heart but we soon found out for ourselves. I think our sister order would do well to watch my friend and be sure not to allow him to handle finances that belong to any one except himself, if so look out away down the road. On the other hand it may be that he has decided to improve. Let us hope so.

Secretary

John S. Beal owns quite a bit of property in Meridian, owner of Beal hotel and cafe of this city. President of Beal and Strayhorn undertaking Company, a successful business man. Was a member of the H. B. A. Building Committee. A member of H. B. A. No. 33.


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The above sketch represents I English of lodge No. 69, Meridian, Miss. He is one of the trustees of our H B. A. property. He is as honest as the summer days are long, may his tribe increase. Member of St. James A. M. E. Church.

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We wish to commend president J. C. Williams of Toomsuba who has made a round report on the 10c assessment to be collected in this month. Bro. Williams has thirty two members in his lodge and he reported thirty two dimes.

President R. H. Gibson of Starksville, Mississippi has made a round report for his lodge. We are ernestly urging each president to send the 10c to the office as early as possible. Our tax must be paid not later than February 1st, in order to avoid damages. We have quite a few outstanding accounts that are very much urging. The quicker you get the 10c to the office the better it will be on us. Our regular montly note of $400.00 will also be due the 26th of this month. I am sure with this explanation you can appreciate the urgent demand from the office.

Secretary.

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## CONGRATULATIONS

Our new system of book keeping in the office causes quite a bit of work after each Board is held. We are compelled by this method to check each name on each report blank. Mrs. Carrie Jury of Shubuta, Mississippi has one of the biggest lodges in the association and her's can be checked quicker than some of the reports that have about twenty members. The names are arranged alphabetically, that is all peasons family names beginning in (a b c etc.,) are arranged together. The September report, or any other quarter, as far as that is concerned has the same as the December report. This shows that the local lodge keeps a good record and the names are copied from the local lodge report on the quarterly report blank, which makes all of the work uniform. The secretary of this lodge, Carrie L. Cole, should be commended. Among other good reports are: Thos. Blankney No. 82, W. L. Gillespie No. 93, C. S. Hampton No. 114, I. M. Martin No. 1, J. F. Chapel No. 2, and some others that we have not yet checked.

Secretary.

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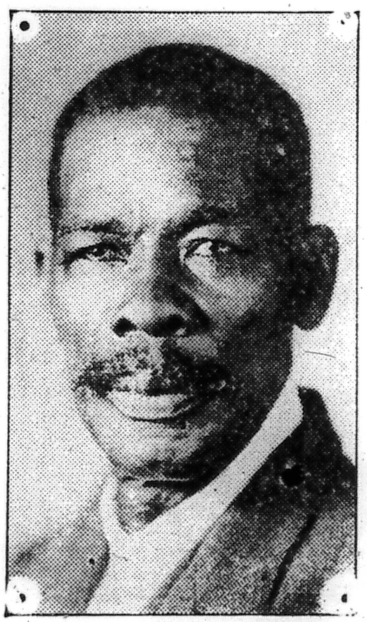

I. M. Martin, president of H. B. A. No. 1 General treasurer of the H. B. A. Member of Pleasant Grove C. M. E. Church. President of No. 1 for twenty one consecutive years. He is not an expert talker, neither is he an expert legislator, but he is an expert in enforcing the laws entrusted to his care.

Rev. M. S. Knott, one of our leading Baptist ministers. A great lover of the H. B. A. President of H. B. A. No. 20 for twelve or fifteen years. General Chaplain of the H. B. A. Always willing to aid the needy.

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## PRESIDENT HAS PASSED

One of our best and most loyal presidents, in the person of Mr. H. A. Hayes of Shubuta, Mississippi, president of lodge No. 130, has passed by the way. Brother Hayes was a faithful president with a local lodge composed of more than fifty members. The good white people of Shubuta gave him a splendid write-up through the Meridian Star. We are indeed proud to know that president Hayes had so lived among the white people, as well as the people of his own race, that such commendable things could be spoken by the white race. Our sympathy goes out to the family and lodge.

Secaetary.

BROOKSVILLE, MISSISSIPPI

Dear Editor: This is to certify that H. B. A. lodge No. 185 has lost a good member in the person of W. M. Farris. Bro. Farris died in good and regular standing with lodge No. 185. He was a staunch member of Orr Chapel M. E. Church and vice president of H. B. A. No. 185. We are praying that our lost may be heaven's gain.

Walter Tate, President.

ENTERPRISE, MISSISSIPPI

Please allow me space in your paper to say that we the members of lodge No. 267 are yet alive, and doing H. B. A. work. We have lost one of our faithful members, in the person of Sister Malinda Berry. Sister Berry departed this life December 10th, 1929. We hope that earth's lost is heaven's gain. Sister Berry was a faithful church worker. She leaves to mourn her passing a host of relatives and friends.

G. D. Cotton, Reporter.

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NOTICE

This is to certify that the General President and General Secretary will visit lodge No 113 Tuesday before the first Sunday in February or January 28th, 1930 to attend to some lodge affairs.

Secretary.

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## OBSERVATION

As general secretary of the H. B. A. I feel that it is my duty to watch the growth or decline of membership in this order, and whatever happens it is my duty to keep the presidents and members of this order informed. I am of the opinion that no local president can do a successful work and grow his or her lodge, when such local presidents are representing two or more societies that operate, to a large extent, on the same basis. For instance, it is hard to be a loyal president in the H. B. A., in the C. B. A. and in the Afro-American at the same time, because these organizations are to a large extent, operated on the same basis. It is no hard job to be a MEMBER of all, PROVIDED you have the means, but to represent all of these orders to the people, it means that one will be delinquent. It is quite natural that when any of these organizations are trying to gain headway in a section where it is not known, said order will be glad to use the president or leader of the organization that is already in the community. The order that is trying to gain headway has nothing to loose, by useing the leader of the other order, but it has all to gain. Whenever the new order is successful in getting the leadership of the order that is in existance in a community it is only gaining that leader, and the old order must loose some of its members. For example, let us see:

We have a few local presidents who are trying to be president and agent for other orders, such as the C. B. A. and the Afro-American. By close observation I have found that it means a lost to either one of these orders when tht new order is brought into a community. My friend, Prof. J. J. Pickett of Brookhaven, Miss. seems to be trying to represent the H. B. A. and the Afro-American. His record shows that he has lost between ten and fifteen members, however, he has been able to add enough new members to off-set the lost, but mind you, it is very doubtful as to whether he can hold up much longer without a lost to the H. B. A. Let us take Dr. W. J. Tate of Prentiss. His record shows that he has had on roll eighty six members and he reported twenty one in the last Board. This means a lost of sixty five members in his lodge at Prentiss. We understand that Dr. Tate is an agent for the Afro-American. Dr. Tate's record shows that he has not been able to gain any H. B. A. members in practically six months. Let us take Mrs. E. A. B. Harper of No. 102 at Hattiesburg. Her record shows that she has had one hundred and fifty four members. She reported in the last Board seventy four. A lost of eighty, over half of the lodge is gone. Her record shows that she has made one member in the last three or four month. Mrs. Mattie Nichilson of Hattiesburg holds her own. Mr. A. J. Barnett seems to hold his own. Mrs. Lena Johnson of Hattiesburg loses about ten. We are not accusing Mesdames Nicholson, Johnson and Mr. A. J. Barnett of trying to be leaders of both orders. They may be and they may not. I do not know, but we are giving the facts in these cases in order to prove our saying.

I am of the opinion that the H. B. A. s of No. 160 at Prentiss and of No. 102 at Hattiesburg shonld be careful and watch themselves. I am also of the opinion that these members should elect a president who will be able to at least hold your present membership, if you can not gain members. How can you truthfully and successfully represent both?. In fact of the business, the local presidents and the agents of the H. B. A. who are pushing the cause of either of the other orders, that we have mentioned, are just hanging on long eneough to get a strong hold on all of our members, and then they will be ready to carry them their way. Think of my friend Dr. Tate's lodge and Mrs. Harper,s loosing one hundred and forty five members so soon. Presidents and members, have you thought of the fact that at $1.40 per member that these two presidents have a shortage of $205.00 in one Board. This does not mean that the H. B. A. will not continue growing, but it does mean that the Death Claims will not be quite as much. If we were able to pay $223.00 December Death Claims to each representative, what if we had $205.00 more from these two local lodges. To some of you it may seem just a little bit funny, but to our thinking men and women it is a serious proposition. Some of you as pdesidents, and members as well, have struggled hard for the growth

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## WAY-SIDE MEDICINE
(Dr. L. F. Brooks)

Another year has spent its force, leaving behind impressions of joy and sadness, of satisfaction and regret. 1929 saw many a dream brought to a living reality, projected into the front ranks, dedicated to the advancement of humanity and civilization, likewise, it saw many hopes blighted and dashed to the rocks where the sirene sing their swan songs and the vultures wait.

Another year has gone to take its place with the long chain of years that have glided way since the beginning of time. The heartaches, the unrealized good intentions, the vast longings, shattered places, broken resolutions withered hopes alike perished with the passing year to be buried in its valley of eternity. May we forget every unpleasant experience the year brought to our door and remember the rare joy that life afforded us in the living of it day by day.

The year has gone but out of its rubbish, out of its mould comes forth new life, a new day, presenting opportunities for new duties, new resolutions to make and to fervently keep not for one day but for every day during the year of 1930.

,,Here has been born another blue day Think, will you let it slip uselessly away? Out of eternity this blue day was born, at night unto eternity this blue day will return.

So, here has been born another blue day. Think, will you let it slip uselessly away?" Ye who have faith to believe in the goodness of the creator, the comradship of men, the duties that bind you, one to another, push onward, outword, and upward with every ready and willing hands to extend to those in distress and may the end of 1930 find your weary feet with a steady beat still tramping to the command of duty.

(To be continued)

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Mr. Frank Williams of Hickory, Mississippi has just sent in his report for the extra assessment, for six members. Mr. Claud Gaines of lodge No. 400, has made a round report for his lodge. He has mailed to the office $1.30.

## BROOKHAVEN, MISSISSIPPI

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the columns of the Echo to let the readers know something concerning lodge No. 362. We the members of lodge No. 362 are doing nicely. This lodge (No. 362) is fifteen months old and we haven't had a death yet. The Lord has been good to us. We are proud to say that we pay all doctor and medicine bills on time and never get behind in our bills. One of our members, in the person of Brother Cisroe Montgomery got his house and everything in it burned up. He is asking for a little aid from the members of the Holbrook Benevolent Association, "The poor man's friend." If anyone desires to give Bro. Montgomery anything in his need, please forward it, whatever it may be, to Moses Walker, R. 1 Box 107. Brookhaven, Miss. He will thank you and the Lord will bless you.

L. M. Cowart, Sec. and Reporter.


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## TENTATIVE

The following named persons are to be paid off in the March Board:

1 Geo. Williams No. 72, D. H. Watson, President. Meridian.
2 Alberta Ferrell No. 108, Mrs. Mattie Nicholson, President. Hattiesburg.
3 Tena Wallace No. 82, Thos. Blakney, President. Quitman.
4 Louise Brown No. 22, J. C. Williams, President. Toomsuba.
5 Callie Smith No. 67, Mrs. Mattie Trussell, President. Meridian.
6 Hannah White No. 235, Handy White, President. Meridian.
7 Minnie Rodgers No. 219 Nollie Alfred, President. Maxie,
Fannie Berry No. 343, Sam Buckley Pres. New Hebron,
9 Mehalia Barnes No. 132, G. W. Knight, Pres. Summerland,
10 Mary Eades No. 28, M. V. B. Pitts, Pres. Toomsuba,
11 Joe Brown No. 77, Mrs. Bettie Faulkner, Pres. Ellisville,
12 Sarah Hunter No. 145, Prof. H. R. Evans, Pres. Enterprise,
13 Tom Hampton No. 190 Ed McLemore, President. Quitman,
14 Eliza McKeller No. 194, C. W. McLaughlin, Pres. Waynesboro,
15 Vinnie Brown No. 259, Sam Croft, President. Enterprise,
16 Georgian Booth No. 268 Mrs. Virgia Williams, President. Laurel, Mississippi
17 Mattie Madison No. 277, Prof. J. J. Pickett, Pres. Brookhaven.
18 Calvin Pringle No. 4, E. D. Portis, Pres. Kewanee,
19 J. P. Peppers No. 92, Clem Brown, President. Laurel.
20 Joe D. Hatten No. 132, G. W. Knight, Pres. Summerland,
21 Lizzie Horn No. 3, Rev. R. W. Radcliff, Pres. Russell,
22 Mahilia Berry No. 267, G. E. Cotton, Pres. Enterprise,
23 W. M. Farris No. 185, W. T. Tate, President. Brooksville,
24 Robert Heidelburg No 270, A. J. Barnett, Pres. Hattiesburg,
25 Lovenia Colley No. 199 Earl McNeal, Pres. Waynesboro,
26 Darkey Sterling No. 95, Rev. C. L. Pringle, Pres. Carmichael,
27 Bettie Smith No. 110, M. Powell President. Meridian,
28 Anna Jones No. 207, J. J. Pierce President. Heidelburg,

## ENONDALE, MISSISSIPPI

Dear Editor: Allow me space in the Echo to say that lodge No. 64 has lost a faithful member, in the person of Sis. Julia Brooks. Sis. Brooks departed this life December 29th, 1929 in full triumph of faith. She was a good christian and a faithful member. Her funeral was conducted by Rev. Griffin Taylor, assisted by Revs. C. J. Wood and J. Broom. Sister Brooks was loved by all who knew her. She lived to be sixty-eight years of age. She leaves to mourn her passing two children and a host of relatives and friends.

Rev. C. J. Woods, Reporter.

## COLLINSVILLE, MISSISSIPPI

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that No. 125 is still alive and is doing nicely. We have not had a death in our lodge in six years, and have thirty eight live members.

R. C. Cole, President.
E. L. White, Reporter.

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## HIWANEE, MISSISSIPPI

Dear Editor: Allow me space in the columns of the Echo to let the many readers know that we the members of lodge No. 178 are doing nicely. We are small in membership, but we are all working in love and harmony. I have been sitting down waiting for the people to come to me, but I have learned that I have got to get up and go to the people. Pray that we may continue to grow.

E. M. Dunn, President.

## WAYNESBORO, MISSISSIPPI

Dear Editor: This is to let my many friends of the H. B. A. know that in the Month of December on the 12th, day 1929, we lost one of our faithful members, in the person of Miss Leoner Cooley. Miss Cooley was a beautiful young girl. She lived a christian life. The lodge wishes to thank Prof. Thos. Blakney for the wonderful work rendered to sister Cooley during her illness.

Earl McNeal, President.

Dear Rev. Young: You will find enclosed $1.25. Please forward me one of your H. B. A. records.

King Haynes, No. 408.

Dear Rev. Young: Enclosed you will find $1.25. Please send me one of your H. B. A. records.

W. C. McLeod, No. 57

## LAUREL MISS.

Dear Editor:

Please allow me space in your wonderful little paper to let the readers of the Echo know that we the members of lodge No. 92 have lost one of our faithful member, in the person of Sister Rillie Jackson. Sister Jackson met her death December 4th in an accident.

Rev. Young, please mail me one of your H. B. A. records by return mail.

Thos. Blakney, No. 82

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of this order, and whenever you allow such persons to remain at the head of your lodge and sap the life out of it, it means that you must pay the price. Our president and Bro. Esau Sledge attempted to represent the H. B. A. and the C. B. A., but he soon found out that he could not be a loyal president and agent to both, so he readily gave up his connection with the C. B. A. Do not understand me in this editorial to criticize our sister orders for one moment. Both of these orders are doing what they promis and that is all the H. B. A. can do, but friends, you can not loyally and truthfully be president and agent of both, at the same time, and give them justice You can not ride in an auto mobile and ride the train at the same time. The H. B. A. is stronger now than it has been in the history of the Association, but I call your attention to these facts as a watchman on the wall, for if you sit supinely by when you should be up and doing, you will find that you will loose ground.

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Birmingham, Alabama

Mosley and Allmon. Wiss Ida Rosley wos quitely married to Wr. R. C. Allmon of Birmingham. Ala., Sunday a. m. at the home of Wrs. Alice Crosby, Hattiesburg, Wississippi. Wr. and Wrs. Allmon left Sunday night for Birmingham, where they will make theit home.

Reporter.

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A CORRECTION

Through a mistake lodge No. 261 was published through the Echo as having reported $18.05. In the Dec. Board. Instead of $18.05 it should have been $96.45. We are glad to make corrections at any time.

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PICAYUNE, MISS.

Dear Rev. Young: Enclosed you will find my report for lodge No. 306 for the extra assessment We the members of lodge No. 306 are doing nicely. We met on last Saturday night and made two new members and have four applications on file for membership to our lodge. We are taking in young people.

T. J. Newkirk, President.

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PERKINSTON, MISS.

Dear Rev. Young: Allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that we the members of lodge No. 377 are doing nicely. Rev. Young, I am sorry to say that our lodge is small in membership, but we are doing H. B. A. work.

We had our annual sermon preached on the 5th Sunday in December 1929, by Rev. H. J. Juster. He preached a soul stiring sermon and everybody present seemed to have enjoyed it very much. Pray that we might continue to grow in membership.

Pete Bang, President.

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SECRETARY VISITS PICAYUNE'S LODGE

It was my good pleasure to visit H. B. A. No. 373 at Picayune, Mississippi, of which Mr. R. Jones was president. There had been a little disfaction and a misunderstanding on the part of some of the members of said lodge, and the secretary was invited to come down and straighten out affairs. The lodge was organized some months ago by Rev. I. C. Harper with more than sixty members, but it had a great set back, because Rev. Harper collected joining fee, policy, Bond and Building without reporting any of the money to the office, and said act on the part of the general officer was a set back to the lodge. There were about twelve or fourteen members trying to hold on, but on Monday night practically all of the old members with a large number of people who desired to join were present to hear an address from the secretary We were treated royally, hospitible during our stay. The people were anxious for me to remain over through Tuesday and Tuesday night and to my surprise, Tuesday night we had a packed house. Standing room was at a premium. The people seemed to have enjoyed our address. We had about thirty five or forty of the old members, who were out to be reinstated. We added about six new members to the order and everybody is lined up in Picayune for a big H. B. A. drive. President Jones offered his resignation because of the many responsibilities that keep him from giving justice to the lodge. The vice president, Aaron Trotter, was elected to fill the vacany of Bro. Jones. Bro. Anderson was elected vice presidend and Bro. Gordon was elected chaplain to fill the vacancy made by Bro. Anderson's election.

We shall never forget the kindness shown us by deacon Jones and his good wife, Mrs. Gaines and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Foster and others. We visited the high school in Picayune of which Prof Warren is principal. We were glad to meet the Rev. Boyd of Picayune, one of the leading Baptist ministers, who made it pleasant for us while with him at Picayune. Picayune is large enough for three or four more local lodges in other sections of the town, and we hope that some of our agents will go to Picayune, but we sincerely hope that if any agent goes to Picayune, that his deportment will not leave a scandal upon the H. B. A. such as the deportment as a formor agent made.

Secretary.

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NOTICE

Hold! wait just a minute before you put this paper on the press. I want to speak to the agents of the H. B. A. Hello agents! I am going out on the field on January 18th. I will let you hear from me later.

R. W. Young, Agent.

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VERNAL, MISS.

Dear Editor: Give me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 365 is getting along fine. We are few in membership, but we are doing H. B. A. work and are yet alive. Pray that we might continue to prove faithful.

C. W. Woullard, President.

# THE ECHO

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## Weather Holds Up Picking of Delta Cotton

CLARKSDALE, MISS. Rain, snow and ice have all conspired to put a crimp in the completion of cotton picking in the Mississippi delta and there are from 15,000 to 25,000 bales of cotton remaining in the fields that will be allowed to rot and will be plowed under as fertilizer.

Every delta county has from 1,000 to 5,000 bales of cotton remaining in the fields that was left over from the first part of the season and can not be picked on account of weather conditions.

Some fields remain white with cotton badly weather-stained. Ginning reports from delta counties show that region has already produced a larger amount of cotton than last year.

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WAYNESBORO, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the readers know that we the H. B. A. members of lodge No. 190 are getting along fine. I am glad to say that we have caught the old gobbler in 190 at last. Since we have caught him, we don't have any large meeting at all now. We have church since the old gobbler has lost his strut. We had Rev. H. Ray with us on our last meeting night and I am forced to say, it was one of the best meetings in the history of our lodge, and we took in one renewal and two applications for membership to our lodge. I know one thing, that is, no person can get along without the cooperation of the holy spirit. I know before a person seeks the H. B. A., he or she ought to seek the Lord first, for He says, first seek the kingdom of heaven and all things shall be added unto you. We have to many people wearing H. B. A. pins on their coats and waists when they need in their hearts the love of God. So dear sisters and brothers, I want to ask that we as members of the H. B. A. do better this year 1930, than we have ever done, because it's no time for foolishness. I will ask the membership as a whole, have you pulled off the old piece of suit of 1929? Have you placed on the helment of salvation? If you haven't that old gobbler is going to pick up his strut again. God be with all the members and I pray he will keep peace among us all through 1930 I desire in my mind to place an H. B. A. rally on the 5th Sunday in March and I am asking all of the lodges in my districts to please stand with me on that day, and when you all get ready to put on something, all you have got to do is write me at Waynesboro, Miss. and I am at your service.

I mean to grow the H. B. A. on the fifth Sunday, and not let it die. Since I have been in this order, I see it isn't a framed up to do, but instead, it is a friend to the poor man, and a husband to the widows.

Yours for the order,

D. L. Harris.

DEKALB, MISS.

Dear Readers: Allow me room in the Echo to let the friends and members of the H. B. A. know that lodge No. 113 met January 10, 1930 with song and prayer, after which Bro. Razzy Young made a nice talk. Lodge No. 113 met for the purpose of installing officers, and the following named persons were selected for officers of lodge No. 113:

Mr. C. A. Neeley, President; Mr. R. S. Cole, Vice President. Mr. W. L. Clark Treasurer. Mrs. Belossie Vance Secretary. Mr. Amias Cole Chaplain. After the installation, Mr. Young requested every officer to make a short talk as to how he was going to serve this term. We want the Holbrook Benevolent Association to pray that our lodge may succeed in the work we are under-taking this year.

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BUCATUNNA, MISSISSIPPI

Dear Editor: Allow me room in the columns of the Echo to say a few words to the many readers of this wonderful little paper. We the members of lodge No. 214 are doing nicely. All of our members are working in harmony with the lodge. Pray that we might continue to prove faithful in the work of the H. B. A.

J. L. Story, President.

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NOTICE

We made a mistake in the last issue of the Echo and reported Georgian Booth Lodge No. 268 with Mrs. Virgie Williams as president Laurel, Miss. It should have been Georgian Booth of lodge No. 266, D. B. Breland President, Brooklyn, Miss.

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Editorial

## WHO IS TO BLAME?

(To Be Read In Open Lodge)

For some time, I have tried to be a close observer of Negro business concerns. It has been my desire to watch the management of all concerns operated by our people and I want it thoroughly understood that when I say Negro Business Concern, I am not exempted, from any angle, for I have tried to study mysel in business, I tried to study myself as a minister in dealing with my people. I study myself as General Secretary of the Holbrook Benevolent Association from a business stand-point. In studying myself in business I compare my attitude, my ways and actions, my thoughts and my business transactions with that of the white business men, for without a comparison I will not be able to reach a conclusion as to what I am doing. I have come to the conclusion that there are but few business concerns operated by Negroes, that really do business from a business stand-point, As a rule, we do business for favoritism, or color, or from a selfish stand-point, rather than from a business stand-point. We feel that the members of our race should patronize us for the sake of race pride and not for the sake of business. Lets face a few facts, though they be stubborn and hard.

First, we want to deal with the Insurance Companies and Fraternal Organizations. We some times complain because our people, at times, will carry Insurance with White Companies rather than Colored, there is a reason for such proceedure among our people.

Experience has taught me that if you belong to a Negro Insurance Company and a White Insurance Company, the White Company will pay according to its promise, most likely, and if the Negro Company can get around paying the claim it will rejoice in the fact that it did not have it to pay.

Experience has taught me, not in all cases, but in most cases, that if you call a Negro physician and a White physician, the White physician gives better service in every particular. Now why should I want a Negro physician, just because he is a member of my race? I want him for SERVICE, and SERVICE is one thing that the leaders of my race must be taught to render.

Experience has taught me that the white drug Company will absolutely sell its drugs to the Negro for cash and credit cheaper than the Colored druggist.

Experience has taught me that the White man will do more for you, inorder to get your business than the Colored man, who is in the same business. The White man gets up and goes after business, but the Negro feels that he is so important that all of the people should go after him. The white man never ceases, to meet you on the streets, or on the highway and invite you to give him some of your business. The Negro goes to sleep in his place of business waiting for you to come to him. When did we get to be so important?

The members of our race are expecting SERVICE and as leaders, we had well decide to render SERVICE. As ministers of the gospel, who teach our people to be prompt, we are some time behind all of the people. When I tell my people that I am going to preach at 11:00 o'clock, I mean at 11:00. If I am to preach at 7:30. I mean at 7:30 As ministers, we do not go about our business in a business way. In my town I can go to the depot most any day and at any time and find ministers, who are not going anywhere, who are not expecting to go anywhere, but they are at the station to meet every train in stead of being in such places hanging around, we should be in our studies trying to get a message for the folk, or be some where attending to business. For my part I am always busy. Whenever I desire to have pleasure I have to lay my business aside for a while.

To the presidents and members of the H. B. A. In all of your meetings in local lodge assemble, you should go there for the purpose of transacting business. Have you not noted how business-like the H. B. A. Boards and Conventions are? Have you noted the fact, that we do not have time to play? Have you noted the fact that we are doing business all the time? Have you noted the fact that we hardly have time to eat? Why? BUSINESS! BUSINESS! BUSINESS!. I want to urge the local presidents and members to see to it that your doctor bills are paid promptly, see to it that your medicine bills are paid, see to it that you owe none of your members, to the extent that they will loose confidence in the H. B. A. Full-fill your promise, visit your members when they are sick. See to it that the sick committees look after them and do their duty, and if they fail put them out and put in a set, who will do their duty. Be honest in your dealing with all man kind. Let it be said that you have a good lodge, an honest lodge, a paying lodge, a prompt lodge, a business lodge and a growing lodge. As leaders, we at times criticize our people for carrying Insurance and the like with White Companies. We say that the White man comes to the door and walks in side without knocking on the door. We say that he will not pull of his hat when he walks in, we say that

he calls us by our names, Mary or Jane as the case may be. When a Negro Insurance man goes to your door, he raps on the door, pull of his hat when he walks in he says good evening Mrs. Johnson etc. thats a big difference isn't it? Yes, and there is another difference. When the time comes to pay off a claim of sickness or death, as a rule, our Companies will try to get out of paying the claim, and the White Company will pay for. That is another difference. Therefore, our people have decided to a large extent, that they would rather be called Sally and Jane and get their money than to be called Mrs. Johnson and get no money.

I am asking every local president to read or have this letter read in open lodge meeting, and every one, who does this, please notify me by postal card.

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The above article is not for the purpose of knocking Negro concerns, it is not for the purpose of inducing our people to leave the race and fail to support it. We should tell our people when they fail to give service and if they fail to respond go where you can get service.

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## DR. L. F. BROOKS MAKING GOOD

Dr. L. F. Brooks, our official physician in the City of Meridian is making a great name for himself among his friends. No night is to dark no day is to cold for him to respond to the calls of our people. We hope, as H. B. A. s in the next few years to establish a hospital in Meridian and we expect Dr. Brooks to be at the head of this department. We are proud to know that the H. B. A. presidents and members appreciate the facts, that he is located in our office building and that a check for $25.00 in advance comes to the office to help pay the indebtness of our building each month.

Let us all learn how to appreciate those who stand by us in the time of need. When in need of his service you may get him over telephone 847.

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## WAYNESBORO, MISS.

Dear Rev. Young: I am writing you to et you and the many readers of the Echo know that the members of H. B. A. No. 190 have lost one of our loyal members, in the person of Sis. Elizabeth Bradley. Sister Bradley departed this life January 9,1930 at 3:00 o'clock. We are trusting that our lost is heaven's gain.

Reporter.

## SOSO, MISS.

Dear Editor: This will let the many readers know that lodge No. 148 has lost one of its best members, in the person of Brother John Gaines Bro. Gaines started to get on the train January 3rd, 1930, and he fell dead. He had been to Lumberton with his daughter, and he was rushing to get back home by the 4th for his conference, but death called him to his reward. Brother Gaines was a good christian gentleman. His church was always first. He joined lodge No. 148 under A. A. Buckley, when it was organizid and has been a faithful member ever since. He was always at his post of duty. His seat will be vacant in our lodge for ever and ever. His death was a great shock to our community, and to everyone who knew him.

Brother Gaines lived to be seventy two years old. He is survived by one daughter, two sons and many relatives and friends. We hope our lost is heaven's gain.

" Though the grass grows over his grave;
And the vacent space is cold;
As he lays in his grave;
Waiting for his love ones.

C. H. Moody, President.

## LAMBERT, MISS.

Dear Rev. Young: Allow lodge No. 387 to say a few words through the columns of the Echo to let the many members and friends of the H. B. A. know that we are doing nicely. Our membership is very small, but we have the H. B. A. faith. We are proud to know that so many of our sister lodges are doing good H. B. A. work.

Rev. E. Samuel, Reporter.

## TENTATIVE

The following named persons are to be paid off in the March Board:

1 Geo. Williams No. 72 D. H. Watson, President, Meridian,
2 Alberta Ferrell No. 108, Mrs. Mattie Nicholson, President, Hattiesburg,
3 Tena Wallace No. 82 Thos. Blakney, President, Quitman,
4 Louis Brown No. 22, J. C. Williams, President, Toomsuba,
5 Callie Smith No. 67 Mrs. Mattie Trussell President, Meridian,
6 Hannah White No. 235, Handy White, President, Meridian,
7 Minnie Rodgers No. 219 Nollie Alfred, President, Maxie,
8 Fannie Berry No. 343, Sam Buckley Pres. New Hebron,
9 Mehalia Barnes No. 132, G. W. Knight, Pres. Summerland,
10 Mary Eades No. 28, M. V. B. Pitts, President, Toomsuba,
11 Joe Brown No. 77, Mrs. Bettie Faulkner, Pres. Ellisville,
12 Sarah Hunter No. 145, Prof. H. R. Evans, Pres. Enterprise,
13 Tom Hampton No. 190 Ed McLemore, Pres. Quitman,
14 Eliza McKeller No. 194, C. W. McLaughlin Pres. Waynesboro,
15 Vinnie Brown No. 259, Sam Croft, President, Enterprise,
16 Georgian Booth No. 256 D. B. Breland, Pres. Brooklyn.
17 Mattie Madison No. 277, Prof. J. J. Pickett, Pres. Brookhaven,
18 Calvin Pringle No. 4, E. D. Portis, Pres. Kewanee,
19 J. P. Peppers, No. 92, Clem Brown, President. Laurel,
20 Joe D. Hatten No. 132, G. W. Knight, Pres. Summerland,
21 Lizzie Horn No. 3, Rev. R. W. Radcliff, Pres. Russell,
22 Mahailia Berry No. 267, G. E Cotton, Pres. Enterprise,
23 W. M. Farris No. 185, W. T. Tate, Pres. Brooksville,
24 Robert Heidelburg No. 270, A. J. Barnett, Pres. Hattiesburg,
25 Lovenia Cooley No. 199 Earl McNeal, Pres. Waynesboro,
26 Darkey Sterling No. 95, Rev. C. L. Pringle, Pres. Carmichael,
27 Bettie Smith No. 110, M. Powell President. Meridian,
28 Anna Jones No. 207, J. J. Pierce President. Heidelburg,
29 Julia Brooks No. 64, John Gulley President, Enondale,
30 Emerline Gates No. 127, Mrs. Carrie Jury, Pres. Shubuta,
31 Horace Hayes, No. 130, H. A. Hayes was President at the time of death.
32 Thornton Wilson No. 110, M. Powell, Pres. Meridian,

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## How White Men Get Together

The daily papers of Tuesday of this week told how Mayor Mackey and Councilman Hall, and Sheriff Cunningham and others got together the day before for the purpose of presenting a "united front" to the end that a Philadelphian might be made the next governor of Pennsylvania.

Last fall, less than two months ago these men were saying bitter things about one another. The Mayor was endeavoring to put the others out of business, while the group with the Councilman and the Sheriff gave the Mayor and his group a sound thrashing.

But today they are getting together to try to thrash a common enemy. How different it is with colored men and women. If they oppose one another this week, they become life time enemies. We know men who had small differences as far back as ten years ago, and they have never been reconciled. If one takes one side then the other will take the other side just for spite.

Some time these life time enemies grow out of the most trivial things. We heard a man, who ought to be a big-man say, that "So-and-So criticised me, and I am laying for him"

It is the inability of Negroes to forget grudges, to drop desire for revenge that keeps our people so far in the rear. Great organizations split up, and go to destruction because two "Leaders" cannot get together. They opposed one another fifteen years ago; they think they must do so today

Then there is the "get even" spirit. While white men fight and get together a hundred times the Negroes are apart, waiting for a chance to "get even."

If a member opposes a policy of yours in a lodge, he is sure to be against your church. Now there may be good reason to oppose you in the lodge but not in the church or vice versa.

We shall have to do some great praying to God to change us and help us change. If strong men of the Negro race could disagree on one policy today, and agree tomorrow on another, if they could be friends even in disagreement our people's progress would be much faster.

C. H. R.

## Corpse Comes To Life When Hold Funeral

QUERETARO, Mex. A funeral party was thrown into panic when Jose Lozano "came to life", when he broke from his coffin and dashed out of the cemetary as he was about to be buried. His friends scattered in all directions, many stumbling over tombstones in their haste, Lozano had suffered a cataleptic spell and had been pronounced dead.

### CRANDALL, MISS.

HOWARD & DUNN. The marriage of Mr. Norman Howard of Gilbert-Town, Ala., and Miss Edna Dunn of Crandall, Mississippi, was solemnized January 26, 1930 at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Muss Dunn, by Rev. S. L. Donald. Many friends of the bride and groom were present to witness the occasion, as they were very popular in chuch and social circles.

Miss Edna Dunn is one of the most esteemed girls in Crandall. Reared in a cultured home of respectful parents. The occasion was of modern type.

Booster.

### NOTICE TO PRESIDENTS

All presidents are requested to give all members receipt for moneys paid by them to their presidents. If you don't have a receipt book, send eight cents to the office to cover the carbon and postage on same, and if you have the carbon you may send 3c to cover the postage.

## McLAURIN MISSISSIPPI

Dear Rev. Young: This is to let you know that lodge No. 217 has lost a member in person of Sister Alice Sanders. She parted this life January 1, 1930. She leaves to mourn her passing a loving husband and a host of relatives and friends. Sister Sanders died in full triumph of faith. We are praying that our lost is heaven's gain.

### GOOD MORNING FOLKS!

A bigger and better Echo brings greetings to all of its readers. The Echo desires to get more readers. Presidents will you help this paper to continue its growth.? How many Presidents will send in two new subscribers? Who will be first.?

### NOTICE TO NEW LODGES

All lodges that were organized since the last Board, are requested to report $1.50 Echo and publication fee in the March Board. Please do not come to the Board stating, that you forgot your Echo and publication fee. We will have to turn your report down, if it fails to be accompanied with your $1.50 Echo and publication fee.

R. L. Y.

### TO THE LOCAL PRESIDENTS ENTERTAINING THE H. B. A. BOARDS

All presidents, who are entertaining the March Boards, are asked to send the name of the church or school house, Street and Avenue, where the Boards will be held in order that we might publish same through the Echo.

### RICHTON, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please give me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 66 is moving along nicely. We have been set up ten years and have not lost a member. The Lord has been good to us.

R. B. Scroggins, Reporter.

### LAUDERDALE, MISSISSIPPI

Dear Editor: Just a few words to let the readers of this paper know that lodge No. 31 is still alive. We put on a barbecue a few days ago to help swell our treasure, and in spite of the rain, we realized a nice sum which gave us courage to try again.

Mrs. V. T. Thornton, Pres.

### CANTON, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please give me space in the columns of the Echo to say that our H. B. A. lodge is doing fine. It is still growing, I think by the time the H. B. A. Board meets here, of which we all are proud of, we will have a wonderful lodge.

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Hello Agents, and Presidents:

You all know in the last issue of the Echo I told you that I would let you hear from me later. I left in the Ice and Snow and have been in it every since. It was not very much, I could do, but I did organize one lodge here in Jackson with 24 applicants and every-one I got I had to pull him out of the snow, and you may just imagine what a job I had.

Say agents, and presidents, I want us to reach the 15,000 membership mark in 1930. Can we do that? I will answer by saying yes, if we all work together we will have to have the hearty cooperation of all presidents and members. If each president will renew those members that have fallen out in the last two Boards and just add eight new members to his or her lodge, over what you lost and we can be able to reach the 15,000 membership mark. Presidents just stop and think. Now go to work! and do that, and we agents will do the rest

I hope that each president will do his or her best to make the March Board be a full report Board, if you fell short in December bring it up in March, and help us put the program over. Let us imagine that we are on the Base-Ball Diamond. Each should play his part when the ball is thrown to you, hold it until the time comes to throw it to the next man. Let us quit muffing so many balls, because the public is watching us play. We have three months to practice around home, and once every three months the General calls a real test game. Let us quit loosing so many members and make round reports, because the public is watching us.

The H. B. A. has some of the best players on the field, and the H. B.A. gave us quite a bit of this training and I am sure that she does not want to loose one of her players and I hope that if one would think of joining another team he would be man enough to notify the General, and it might be that after you all had a talk you would go back and help play the game.

Let us not forget to make round reports in March, so that we can reach our 15,000 membership mark this year.

Yours for success,

R. W. Young, Agent.

## IMPORTANT NOTICE TO THE PRESIDENTS OF THE H. B. A.

We have a few lodges that have not responded to the extra assessment. We asked that all presidents do their best to get the 10c to the office by the 15th of January. Please remember that the failure to pay this assessment will cause you to forfeit your membership. We want to ask each president not to collect Death Claims nor Quarterly Dues for the March Board, from any member who failed to pay the 10c. You need not charge a member renewal fee who failed to pay the 10c on time, we will consider them in good standing until the March Board. But if the 10c is not paid by the March Board said members must be suspended. We do not want to collect any 10c at the Board, all must be sent to the office before the Board. Please remember that persons failing to pay the 10c must pay the $1.35 plus the 10c if at any time said persons wish to renew.

General President.

## LAMBERT, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please give me space in the columns of the Echo to let the other H. B. A.s hear a little something from the Delta lodges, which is my work. Lodge No. 387 at Denton, Miss., has one of the best plans for 1930, it can't be beat. The members have decided to rent eight acres of land and each member will take a part in the working of said land. Our good white friend, Mr. F. R. King is to furnish them $15.00 a month, and said $15.00 is to be put in the local lodge treasure to take care of the members. The local president, Mr. Henry Samuel, has several applications on file.

Lodge No. 388 located at Lambert is doing nicely. Tunica is on the main line. Look out Tunica, I will see you in short. I noticed the Secretary's letter in the last issue of the Echo concerning our Sister lodges and their work. I have been asked to stop working for the H. B. A. and work for some other societies. The H. B. A. is just like grass. You just can't keep it from growing. We need ten agents badly in the Delta. All they need to do is to tell the folks the truth. Look out agents I will see you later.

A. M. Walker, Agent.


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Dear Editor: This is to inform all local presidents, members and friends who are going to meet the H. B. A. Board at Pinola, Miss. that the Board will be entertained by lodge No. 368, S. L. Walker, President. The place where the Board will convene is Dry Ridge M. B. Church, eight miles S. E. of Pinola, six miles East of Shivers and fourteen miles Southwest of Magee on the gravel road, from Magee to Shivers. We are planning to make everything pleasant for those of you visiting our lodge, and we are praying that your coming will be of some help to our lodge and community.

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As General Secretary, my father and I have had the order at heart since our election and the majority of the people have always confided in us. If we advocate a cause, the people some how believe that they should follow our advice and though we had a little trouble (nothing serious) with two General officers. I am of the opinion that it has been worth while to adhere to our council. We have not allowed either one of these men to get away with any great harm to the organization so after all our influence has been a factor in the growth of the organization. We had quite a bit of trouble with local presidents and after all we have not had them to get of with much harm to the organization. We have had presidents to collect on persons who had been dead for months before they joined the order. We caught those presidents and collected the money back. We have a certain president now who has been trying to collect a claim for an old man who was about seventy years old when he joined and was sick in bed at the time he joined, so I am informed. He paid 90c for him and the old man died. I think this old gentleman was about two hundred miles from the lodge that he was supposed to have joined, and this Bro. has written me some hot letters relative to this claim, but I am holding his feet to the fire, and this unjust claim is not published for the March Board. We have another crooked president on hand now who collected all of the December report put it in his pocket and spent every nickle of it. He collected the convention assessment and has not paid a nickel of that. We now have this matter in the lawyer's hand. It may seem a littel strange, but both of these lodges were organized by my friend Harper. I presume it just happened that the folks put crooks at the head of these lodges. We have another bad case on hand that has just developed and I am unable to say what will terminate at the end. Friends, it matters not whose advise we take, we are going to find some crooks. I am of the opinion though, that if our advice will be as safe in the future as it has been in the past, nothing but success is ahead for the H. B. A. Please understand that I have not for one moment criticized W. C. McLeod's article, but just one correction, and then some facts.

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## BUCATUNNA, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me a little space in the Echo to inform you and the many readers that we, the members of lodge No. 209 have lost a dear friend and a faithful member in the person of Brother Archie Ramsey. Bro. Ramsey died January 25th, 1930. Not only was he faithful to his lodge, but his church as well.

He was a kind father and a good and loving husband. He leaves to mourn his passing a wife, five daughters, four grandsons and a host of friends. His remains were laid to rest in Powe's cemetary.

Fayett McInnis, Reporter.

## RELIGION TRUE RELIGION

Religion, True Religion will make you treat yourself right and make you think of your maker. It will make you pray daily. When you go to do anything you will ask the Lord to guide and keep you through the day and night. Religion, True Religion will make you treat your fellow-man right. True Religion will not let you bear false witness against neighbors. Religion will not let you dig pits for your brother or sister. It will make you do unto others as you would have them do unto you. True Religion will make you walk in the path of righteous and will take us all to heaven. Dear readers, it is true religion that keeps us alive. There are six persons in lodge No. 113 that are acting very unbecoming toward our president. Our dear president has not done a thing in the world that would make the members have a cold feeling toward him He trys to treat everyone right. You can not get to heaven unless you serve your fellow man, because through him, you serve the heavenly Father. I joined lodge No. 113 the 3rd Saturday in August 1929 and from that time to the present, I have found that the sick committee and some of the members are giving the president considerable trouble. Every since I joined the lodge, seemingly they have been trying to get something on our president. I want the General body to pray for lodge No. 113.

Willie Lee O. Cole, Reporter.

## MILLARD, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the columns of the Echo to say a few words concerning lodge No. 401. We have been a little slack, but with our new president, we are expecting to do greater work in the future than we did in the past. We have some faithful members in our lodge. Pray that success will be ours.

A. C. McCall, President.
Quincy Adams, Secretary

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## BASSFIELD, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me a space in your paper to say a few words about the H. B. A. The year 1929 has gone on in history and now we have entered into 1930 to do more than we did last year.

The H. B. A. has done a great work for the people. We should not think what we will, or shall get out of it, but should think of the service we give to it, or to others. I often hear people say, they want to get something while they live; why not say, that I want to be servicable while I live? No. 57 had a brother to get sick and die, and his doctor bill was $100.00. Each member paid $1.00 and nobody was hurt. Now then, if his wife would have had to pay the $100.00, it would have been hard on her.

The General Body paid $237 plus the $100.00, which gave her $337.00. Therefore, you can see what the H. B. A. is doing for us. It simply means co-operation.

We have members in this lodge, that can not get the doctor, but tell him that he is an H. B. A., and he is ready to go to your rescue. Let a member die, the undertaker is ready to render his service.

Before this organization, when a person died, generally we would have to pass the hat around, not so now with an H. B. A. The doctors say all colored people should belong to the H. B. A. and I say so too, now what do you say?

I said in the Board at Hattiesburg that it had only cost each member $6.30 to the General Body in 1929. Now I can say for 1928 it cost only $5.15, and 1927 $3.90. For the three successive years the cost was $15.35, with an average of $5.12 per year.

I want to know is there any organization under the stars doing as great a work as the H. B. A. with such small cost? If so let me know, I want to get in it.

We have members in our lodge that live with white people, and they always say "Willis do not let my folks out of your lodge until you see me." I have made out the list of names and carried it to them and collected from $2.00 to $20.00.

My lodge pays from $200.00 to $350.00 for doctor bills annually. Now friends, I want you to take time to think of the preceeding statement about the cost of the organization. The cost of the last three years was only $15.35, an average of $5.12. Now at that rate, it would take forty years to pay $225.00 endowment. I must say, to the local presidents, let us emphasize the real greatness and goodness of the H. B. A. and impress our members to stick to it, because I realize the fact, that ninety nine Per cent (99 per cent) of the members that drop from us, quit without a thought.

I often hear it said that colored people have no confidence in their race; but I say they have too much confidence without thought.

Let a man come in your community and say, that I have the thing that you need, and we will join it without investigation. We only say what will it cost to join? and he will say, $1.00, $2.00, or $3.00 whatever the concern may be, and in we go without giving a thought what it will cost us to stay in it; and we are out of it. Therefore, confidence without thought is dangerous. Friends, it is alright to join as many societies as you desire, but first think whether you are able to support them. You join and quit without thought.

We will elect a man and put our money and business in his hands, then go home and never check him up. That's confidence without thought. Another thought, General Secretary, I noticed in your article the statement to local presidents to get on their knees, that we need men and not make-shifts. That is true. Now in reply; I must say, to you, get on your knees. The first time that I met the convention, the General President said "give me some team, if not you need not elect me", and we gave you Williams. Four years later we met and some of us wanted Smith as General Vice President, but we elected Williams again. One year later by your request we removed Williams and by your influence we elected Harper; three years later by your influence we elected Harper again. Therefore, the man we want is not the man we need everytime. Consequently, we all need to get on bended knees.

May peace and harmony remain in the Ass'n. and may it continue to move on to success.

Yours for uplift,
W. C. McLeod.

## COLLINSVILLE, MISS.

Dear Editor: Allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers of the State know that we, the members of lodge No. 125 are doing nicely. We are expecting to get several new members this year. Pray that we might continue to grow in membership.

R. C. Cole, President.

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All agents, who have been soliciting members for the H. B. A. and wish to continue as agents, must write the office for license, to work another year. The Insurance laws are very tight now, and it will be dangerous for you to work after March 1st., without license from the Insurance Department, and a certificate of authority from the office.

You will send $3.05 to the office to procure said authority.

E. F. Young, General Pres.

## MACON, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the columns of the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 394 is getting along nicely. We read the editorial in the last issue of the Echo to the members of our lodge, and everyone seemed to have gotten a good lesson out of same. We are few in membership, but we are trying to do real H. B. A. work, and I hope to do more H. B. A. work for our order. Our lodge has been blessed up until the present time, we have not lost a member by death. Pray we might grow in membership.

Eddie Roberson, President.

## COLLINSVILLE, MISS.

Dear Editor: Allow me space in the columns of the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 125 is doing nicely. We are adding new members all along and are expecting some more soon. Everyone seems to love the H. B. A. since it is the best order of its kind in the South. We have an honest president and we are very proud of him.

Minnie Pearl Lewis, Reporter.

## SHUBUTA, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please give me space in the Echo to let the General President, General Secretary and all the local presidents know that lodge No. 249 wants the June Board. We have so many in our settlement that are eligible to join the H. B. A., and want to join. If the H. B. A. Board is held in Shubuta, Miss., it will certainly help build up the H. B. A. in this settlement.

Mrs. E. Heidelburg, Pres.

## ELLISVILLE, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to say a few words in order that the many readers might know, that we the members of lodge 77 are doing fine. We have formed a little club for 1930. In this club we are going to discuss different subjects. The leaders are as follows: Mrs. Bettie Faulkner, Miss Virgie Taylor, Mrs. Maberline Williams and Mrs. Melvin Cartier. A nice little program was rendered Thursday night with the following named persons appearing on program:

Prof. L. F. Garett, Rev. G. Faulkner, E. D. Pickens, Mrs. Bettie Faulkner and Rev. M. L. Mills, pastor of Willys Chapel A. M. E. Church, Ellisville, Miss.

Mrs. Bettie Faulkner, Reporter.

## HATTIESBURG, MISS.

Rev. Young, Dear Editor: Please allow me to say that lodge No. 293 is doing nicely. We had a lovely meeting Monday night. I wish to state to you that the editorial "WHO IS TO BLAME" was read in open lodge, and everyone seemed to have approved of same. We are looking forward to the Board, which will be held with us in March.

Yours for the Order,

Mrs. Lena Johnson, Reporter.

## LANGSDALE, MISS.

Dear Editor: Allow lodge No. 278 space in the columns of the Echo to let the many readers know that our lodge is doing nicely, The Afro-American is trying to knock the H. B. A. but by the help of the Lord we are going to stand. It will take some very hard knocks to hurt the H. B. A. badly.

G. W. Stearling, Pres.

## LAMBERT, MISS.

Dear Editor: This is to let the many readers of the Echo know that our lodge No. 387 is doing real H. B. A. work. Our lodge has a piece of land in order to swell our treasure so that we will be able to meet all requirement from our General Body in the March Board.

We are adding members to our lodge in order that our membership might increase. Yours for the H. B. A.

Rev. Henry Samuel, President.

## AGENTS YOUNG AND DURR CLEANING UP

Agent J. E. Durr is now on the field making good. He has been to Burnside, Miss., and added about seven new members to the lodge at Burnside. He organized two lodges in Laurel, Mississippi with Mrs. Callie Gardner as president with about twenty-seven members' and another with Mr. Royland Pope as president with about twenty nine members.

R. W. Young has organized a new lodge in Jackson, Miss. with Chas. I. Chapman as Pres. with about thirty members. He organized one at Crystal Springs, Miss., with Frank Harris as president with about fifteen members.

Agent Barnett of Hattiesburg, Miss. is still adding members to his lodge.

Agent E. D. Trigg has added seven new members to lodge No. 221 of which Bro. Henry Croon is president.

Agent A. M. Walker of Lembert, Miss., has organized a new lodge at Dublin, Miss., with about thirty members.

Secretary R. L. Young has just returned from Deerbrook, Miss. where he has gotten a lodge straight that was organized by agent Esau Sledge with twenty six members but five or six of the members were rejected by the Secretary, because of bad health and old age.

## PRESIDENTS MOVING

Quite a few of the presidents of the local lodges are sending for new policies every day. President I. M. Moore of Deerbrook, Miss., seems to be leading all presidents of the State. The H. B. A. Board will be held at his lodge on the 4th of March, and old Moore is cleaning up.

## ENTERPRISE, MISS.

Dear Editor: Your letter in the Echo of February 1st was read in open lodge by the Secretary; the same was commented upon and complimented by Rev. C. M. Webb, who concluded by saying "the author of that letter is a student and close observer of human natuae."

I think it was really worth while, timely and concise.

H. R. Evans, President.

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### EDITORIAL

#### Truth

When the truth is told it is not necessary to polish it in order for it to shine. Truth shines of it-self. "Lies" have to be polished. Whenever one dare speak out and tell the truth, the country, state, community in which the truth is told, becomes much alarmed. When Abraham Lincoln was ready to strike slavery a blow because he felt that all men were created equal, the United States was greatly disturbed over this truth and a bloody war followed. Nobody pays much attention to a lie, but let the truth be told, there is a stir like maggots in rotten or tainty meat.

#### WHAT IT COST TO TELL THE TRUTH

To tell the truth mea s you must bare the mark of being cast aside. To tell the truth means that men will congregate and discuss you and set plans for your down-fall. To tell the truth means people will dig a few ditches for you, but the ditch digger should always dig two ditches, one for himself and one for the person he opposes. The man or woman who persistantly stands out for the truth is cursed and discussed. A large majority of the people are not in favor of the truth publicly, but privately they will tell you, that I am in favor of the truth. Publicly they say, that it is not expedient, privately they will say that you are wright. The same persons, who oppose the truth publicly will talk to you privately about the conditions of affairs and they lament over the condition of affairs privately, publicly they endorse and condone whatever is being said and done. It takes a real man or woman to stand up and tell the truth, because you are practially alone. The majority of the people are going in the opposite direction, and they do not want the truth told publicly, therefore, let a man, or woman in any community have the courage to tell the truth and the constituency of that community will travel from house to house and door to door plotting against the truth. "Truth crushed to the earth will rise again." Truth needs no polishing, it will shine because it is the truth. Truth is light in dark places. Truth is to people what light is to darkness. Whenever light goes into a dark corner, house or home, darkness flees. Darkness just can not stand light. The only way darkness can predominate is light must decide to go. Darkness can not misplace or remove light. Darkness only comes after light is gone, so it is with people who oppose truth. People who oppose truth can not help but run, plan and plot, curse and discuss. Abraham Lincoln died a martyr's death, because of truth, John The Baptist was beheaded, because of truth, Jesus Christ hung on the Roman Cross, because of truth, John Brown's body lies molded in the clay, because of truth, Elijah went away and stayed three years and six months, because of truth.

A man or woman, who has the courage to speak the truth may die, but truth shall never die. The cause for which the truth represents is truth within itself and it will never die. People will frown, agitate, faint, and become dissatisfied; truth to people, who are going in the opposite direction is what light is to darkness.

Truth will never die. Men may faint and die, because of truth, but truth lives on. Live on thou jewel of God, shine on truth in dark corners where men are congregated like bees in their gum. I know that when thy light begins to shine on them, they are disturbed, but truth cometh from God. Truth is a weapon of God, it knows no defeat.

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### NEW HEBRON, MISS.

Dear Editor: This is to let the many readers know that lodge No. 256 has lost a loyal and faithful member, in the person of Brother Hugh Magee. Brother Magee was deacon of Oakgrove Baptist church and Superintendent of the Sunday school and vice president of our H. B. A. lodge. Brother Magee was at his post of duty when the Lord called him to his celestial home. He was reviewing the Sunday School lesson, when the Lord called him, and he fell dead on the floor. His death was a great shock to our community and to everyone, who knew him. He was always trying to do that he thought was for the up-lift of his people. God in his almighty power said, well done my brother, come up higher.

He leaves to mourn his lost one brother, one sister, a loving wife and a host of friends.

### HEIDELBURG, MISS.

Sister Aquilla Bunch of Heidelburg, departed this life a few days ago. She was a faithful member to her church and lodge as well, she will be missing in both, her seat will never be filled.

We will miss her, but we are praying that our lost is heaven's gain. Sister Bunch lost her father several years ago, her mother four years ago and her husband eighteen months ago. She leaves one brother, one sister, one nephew and one neice to mourn her passing. Rev. J. J. Jones conducted the funeral assisted by Rev. L. A. Lindsay.

Reporter.

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### DEKALB, MISSISSIPPI

Dear Editor: Please give me space in the ECHO to let the readers know that we the members of lodge No 112 have lost a faithful member in the person of sister Dolly Love. Sister Love passed from labor to reward Feb. 12, 1930. She leaves four devoted children and a host of relatives and friend to mourn her passing. We trust our lost will be heaven's gain.

Reporter.

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### PICAYUNE, MISSISSIPPI

Dear Editor: This comes to say that lodge No. 307 is getting along fine. We are working to make everybody in Picayune H. B. A. members. We have five candidates on file. I am working up a new lodge at Carriere, Miss., with about twenty-five members. Will make a report of the same soon. Presidents and Agents, lets get busy and be true for the cause. Reporter

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### VOSSBURG, MISS.

Dear Editor: This comes to say that we had your editorial of February 1st read in open lodge, and everybody seemed to have thought it was wonderful.

L. Bonner, President.

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### HEIDELBURG, MISS.

Dear Editor: Your editorial was read in the lodge and all of the members were perfectly pleased with said editorial and commended same.

R. McCormick, President.

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### SHUBUTA, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that we, the members of lodge No. 303 are doing nicely and are still pressing on. We are still alive and are getting along fine. We are hoping to make some new members soon. We want to make a round report in the March Board. Pray for our success.

John Adams, President.

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### BASSFIELD, MISS.

Dear Editor: Your article was read in the local lodge. All think it was fine.

V. T. Thompson, President.

ENONDALE, MISS.

Dear Rev. Young: This comes to say that your article on WHO IS TO BLAME was read in open lodge. We enjoyed it very much.

Mrs. Mary H. Moore, Pres.

NOTICE TO LOCAL PRESIDENTS

Dear Presidents: Please do not write to the office asking that you make your reports at some other place, other than the place designated on your report blank. If all of the presidents in the upper districts meet at Meridian, it means that, we must be in session two days. So please govern yourselves according to the places designated on your report blank.

General Secretary.

NOTICE TO H. B. A. PRESIDENTS

All local presidents, who have not made settlement for their H. B. A. records, are requested to do so in the March Board.

R. L. Y.

BROOKHAVEN, MISS.

Dear Editor: This comes to say that lodge No. 353 is growing in membership. We took in thirteen members on our last meeting night, and have eight applications on file.

J. H. Turner.

Dear Presidents: I want to urge that all of the articles on WAY SIDE MEDICINE by Dr. L. F. Brooks, appearing through the Echo be read in open lodge meeting and discussed. These are some of the best hints to keep one well and in good condition that we can get. The association should feel proud of the fact, that Dr. Brooks is willing to advise us as to how to keep well free of charge. I should be glad to have letters from some of the presidents relative to these articles on WAY SIDE MEDICINE being read in open lodge and what you think of the articles.

R. L. Y.

WHO IS TO BLAME?

I wish to thank the many many presidents, who have sent cards and letters relative to the article on WHO IS TO BLAME. I hope that all of us will try and improve upon ourselves and our business by rendering real service of which all of us want. Quite a few of you have met me personally and congratulated me upon the manly stand that I have taken. I feel it is no more than my duty to help our people. The article is not only helping you, but it has helped me and it will help other members of our race.

R. L. Y.

# Rally! Rally!! Rally!!!

To the Presidents and Members of the H. B. A. lodges:

I am taking this method to put on a Rally Campaign through the columns of the Echo in each local lodge in the State. I am exceedingly anxious that the local lodges raise $3,000.00 during the months of March and April. This Rally is being put on for the benefit of the local lodge. I want to ask that each president read this letter in open lodge and let me know the results. This is what I want done: I want volunteers among both men and women to put on a special entertainment at your home, at you church or at your lodge and the benefits derived from the efforts that you put on, I want it given to the local lodge. We want each lodge to form itself into groups of four, five or as many as you desire and each group volunteer of its own accord to raise some money for the treasure. I do not want you to take any money from the local treasure. I want you to volunteer and go into your pockets and spend your own money for the success of this Rally. Suppose you spend 50c or $1.00 for the growth of the treasure? Let us suppose that four five or ten groups were working and each group would realize from one to five dollars. Do you not see that you would soon have a strong treasure?

After this letter is read in open lodge I want to ask each president to write me a letter stating as to whether he had any volunteers or not. If you have no volunteers just write a postal card and say, Brother Secretary, my folks were not willing to volunteer to do anything. If you have volunteers please send me the names of those, who volunteered and in what group they belong and the names of the group. If it is the hustling group give it that name, if it is the smart group give it that name if it is the busy group give it that name.

I want to ask that some of you hustling presidents, who have wide awake members in your lodge, that you have some of your volunteers to name their group the Roy Young group in honor of the General Secretary. I want to ask that some of you name your groups the Fred Young group, in honor of the General President.

Good Presidents, and volunteer members, for the Lord's sake, do not let that Fred Young, group beat that Roy Young group. This Rally will continue for two months, March and April. During the month of May we want to publish each local lodge and the amount raised together with the name of the first volunteer of each group. We want to see if we can not raise $3,000.00 in this effort.

Presidents, let me know in the H. B. A. Boards and through mail what you think of this proposition.

Roy L. Young, General Secretary.

WANTED WANTED WANTED

Application for nurse training. A young woman of good moral standing must have good recommendation and must have a high school training.

Dear Presidents:- If any of you have young women in your community, who would like to apply for nurse training in a hospital here in the City, and they will come up to the above requirement, I would appreciate a letter from such persons. A special opening has been suggested to us by one of the owners of a hospital here in the city. The proprietor of this hospital has suggested to me that he will gladly fix up a special department for the colored people and employ one of our own girls as head nurse of that department and he will also employ one or two assistants as necessity demands. We are not asking for trained nurses, but we want young women, who desire to take the training. It will take three years to complete the course. The proprietor of the hospital states that in performing operations upon our people he would be glad to give our girls, who are not trained an opportunity to get all of the necessary experience and information, in order that we might be able to improve upon the health of our people. We are dying too fast, dying to young, we are dying from various diseases unnecessarily. It is our intention to develope a health unit in the H. B. A. I was in conversation with Prof. Johnson of Prentiss a few days ago and he stated that if there was any possible chance for the H. B. A. to put on a real health program among our people, it would be a great help to the race. I heartily agree with Prof. Johnson. We should have some young women, who are really trained along health teaching, to go from town to town and in the rural sections as well and teach our folks the necessity of caring for the health.

If we can get the proper kind of young girls, they will have an opportunity to get nurse training free, and we will use every effort possible to assist them financially, while in training.

Friends, do you not know that if our girls will only train themselves that the white people right here in this South land, right here in Miss , will be proud to employ them as trained nurses. This is a feature that we are going to add to the association. Now, this means also that if our girls are being employed and given training and important recognition we must patronize those, who are so generous and liberal toward us.

R. L. Y.

## WAY SIDE MEDICINE

(By Dr. L. F. Brooks)

Baths (Continued)

As has been pointed out, baths are essential to the body in the program of health. Warm baths are more helpful for cleansing effect, they also act as a cedative to the irritated nerves and muscles, a warm bath (but not to hot) taken before retiring will quite often promote sleep and rest. The practice of bathing in warm or hot water and shortly after rushing into the street or air, especially during the cold days of fall, winter and spring is dangerious. It is a sure way of hurring ones self to the grave. Warm baths influence the blood from the deeper organs of the body to the surface and when the body is exposed after a warm bath, to the cold the blood is given a too rapid airing with congestion resulting to the deeper organs because of being supplied with cold blood.

Cold water baths are more for stimulative purpose yet they are not without danger, only the strong and vigorous individual should engage in cold water bathing, to any extent, nor is it wise and expedient that they should indulge for to long a time. After a cold water plunge or shower or rub down the robust person is caused to feel spry and re-invigorated while depression and shock should usuall attend the feeble and aged after cold bathing. Blueness of the lips and finger tips, after a cold water plunge, devotes that the body is not reacting to the influence of the cold baths and serves as a warning, that such a practice is not without a risk.

To be continued.

## ENONDALE, MISS.

Dear Editor: This is to let all concerned know that lodge No. 64 is doing fine. One of our loyal and faithful members, in the person of Bro. Robert Nicholson, who is the father-in-law to Mrs. Mattie Nicholson, got his house and practically everything in it burned on February 7th. He is asking for a little aid from all members of the Holbrook Benevolent Association, The "poor man's friend." If any one desires to aid Bro. Nicholson in his needy condition, please forward it to R. Nicholson, Enondale, Miss. Bro. Nicholson will thank you and the Lord will bless you.

Mary Gulley, Reporter.

## BASSFIELD, MISS.

Dear Editor: This comes to say that your article was read in open lodge. Everybody seemed to have enjoyed it very very much.

Yours for the order,
Johnnie Cole, President.

## LAKE COMO, MISS.

(By Mrs. Alice Crosby)

### BE CAREFUL WHAT YOU SAY

In speaking of another's faults
Pray don't forget your own;
Remember those with homse of glass
Should seldom throw a stone.

If we have nothing else to do,
But talk of those who sin;
Tis better we commence at home;
And from that point begin.

We have no right to judge a man;
Until he's fairly tried;
Should we not like his company,
We know the world is wide.

Some may have faults-who has not?
The old as well as the young.
Perhaps we may for ought we know,
Have fifty to their one.

I'll tell you of a better plan,
I find it works quite well;
To try my own defects to cure;
Before of others tell.

And though sometimes I hope to be
No worse than some I know.
My own short coming bids me let;
The faults of others go.

Then let us all, when we commence,
To slander friends or foe;
Think of the harm one word can do:
To those we little know.

Remembr, curses, sometimes, like
Our chickens, "roost at home"
Don't speak of others, faults until
We have none of our own.

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## HIWANEE, MISS.

Dear Editor: Allow me space in the columns of the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 178 is doing nicely. We had your editorial of the last issue of the Echo read in open lodge. I wish to state that it was very timely.

This article was appreciated verry verry Much.

E. M. Dunn, President.

## TAYLORSVILLE, MISS.

Rev. R. L. Young, Dear Sir: Please give me space in the columns of the Echo to say to the many readers that we are the members of lodge No. 304 are doing nicely. We are few in membership, but are doing H. B. A. work We are saving some of our hogs, chickins and turkeys for you all. We are expecting to have an H. B. A. get together. Our doors are open for you all to come at any time.

Reporter.

## SHUQUALAK, MISS.

Dear Rev. Young: Please allow me space to let the H. B. A. members know that we have added three new members to our lodge this year. All of our members seem to work in harmony and love with one another.

Alex Paylor, President.

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## MERIDIAN, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that we, the members of lodge No. 27, have lost one of our members, in the person of Sister Cannie Harris. Sister Harris died February 25th. She was a faithful member until death. We are trusting that our lost will be heaven's gain. Sister Harris leaves five children and a host of friends to mourn her passing.

Mrs. Lucy Dunn, Reporter.

## NOTICE

Dear Readers: We are having quite a few letters in response to the article asking for young girls, who are high school graduates, who desire nurse training to make an application. If you are not a high school graduate please do not make your application for it is impossible for us to accept anyone who has not got a diploma from some high school. Quite a few are making application who are not high school graduates. It will be impossible for us to consider those applications.

Roy L. Young.

## BROOKHAVEN, MISS.

Dear Rev. Young: Give me space in the columns of the Echo to let the H. B. A. readers and friends know that, we the members of lodge No. 353 are doing fine. I had your letter read in open lodge and all the members seemed to have been pleased with same.

We have two applications on file for renewal. We have started to work on our Rally and have formed our clubs. We will let you hear from us later.

J. H. Turner, Reporter.

## NEW AUGUSTA, MISS.

Dear Editor: After having our meeting last night and reading the article concerning the Rally, we have two groups of volunteers. No. 200 is doing fine. We are trying to grow our membership and get all the members we can. You may rest assure that we will never do anything that will be a discredit to the Association, because we have the order at heart. All of the members seem to be playing their part.

Hattie Peay, Reporter.

## KILN, MISS.

Dear Rev. Young: Just a word in regards of lodge No. 396. We wish to say that our lodge is doing nicely. The spirit of love and union abide in the lodge room, We appreciate the plan that came to us through the columns of the Echo relative to a Rally. We feel that our General Secretary has the work at heart and we assure you, that we appreciate the great work that he is doing. We hope that all local lodges will take a part in the drive that our Secretary mentioned to us through the columns of the Echo. We have two groups in our lodge. The Roy Young Club, with Sister Olive Barnes as it's leader and the Fred Young club, with Brother Steve Smoll as it's leader. All members took a part in this rally, and they are doing their best to make this rally a success. Will let you hear from us later.

We have one application on file and are expecting three more on our next meeting night.

Zachariah Baggett, President.

## MACON, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know, that we the members of lodge No. 394 have lost one of our faithful members, in the person of Brother Worn Webb. Brother Webb departed this life March 13th. Brother Webb was on his way to the lodge meeting and had gotten in three hundred yards of the church and a loaded truck ran in-to him and killed him instantly. Brother Webb was a good church worker and a faithful member. Brother Webb leaves to mourn his passing a loving wife, three daughters, two sons, four brothers, one sister and a host of relatives and friends.

Eddie Roberson, President.

## TUNICA, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to say a few words in behalf of lodge No. 391, located at Tunica, Miss. We are few in membership, but we are moving along nicely. We wish to state that our president seems to have the work at heart. The last time we wrote you our president was Mrs. Rosie Bell. We wish to state that she is now Mrs. Rosie Henry.

Sister Bell and Mr. Charley Henry were joined in holy matrimony March 2nd. This means that we will get Mr. Henry's application for membership to this lodge.

Yours for the order.

B. B. Johnson, Reporter.

## WAY-SIDE MEDICINE

### Dr. L. F. BROOKS

While baths have their part in the program of health, so do soaps, they are indispensible in helping to remove grease and dirt from body surface. Soap is a combination of fats and alkali, many of you who read these lines no doubt have had the experience of making soap from the mixture of fat meat and lye. Some soaps also contain vegetable matter. Great care should be exercised in selecting soaps for the bath, both of the body and hands. Many soaps contain injurious adulterations and it is dangerous to use them for toilet purpose. They are attractive to sight highly perfumed, but detrimental to the skin upon which they are used.

Good soap does not contain too much fat nor too much alkali; both elements entering into its makeup in equal proportion and in a well balanced state. Faulty soap act as an irritant upon the skin surface and in part is the cause of a number of skin diseases so prevelant to-day. Such soaps contain rosin, pearl-ash soda, lye, starch, sugar and common salt, and one would do well to attempt to ascertain the makeup of soaps before employing them too freely upon the skin.

Good soap contains glycerine, bran oatmeal, and lonalin. Be ware of imitations, demand the best it will pay in the long run. Do not use soaps for the perfume they contain and the pleasant odor but for their health-giving properties.

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## EDITORIAL

### Inventory

It is very helpful for all business concerns as well as business men, to take an inventory of their business. This gives the concern or individual an opportunity to check up on the business. Before the meetings of the Boards in this month we sent printed letters to all of the local presidents asking questions regarding the growth or the decline of membership etc., in the local lodges. Ninety per cent of the local presidents have either held their own or reported a gain. In one of the local Boards we had one certain president to loose more members than all of the rest combined. There is a reason for this. It is very encouraging to know that through these strenuous times the majority of our presidents are seeing to it that they do not loose members.

We are glad to know that our people are taking care of the local presidents in sending them to the Boards. The people seem to be willing to defray the expense of these presidents and take care of them for their days service. We have had local presidents to report from one dollar to one hundred and seventy dollars in their treasures. One would be surprised to know the amount of money that we have scattered around in these local treasures. I must confess that I did not know that we had our local presidents and members so well organized. The training that the local presidents and members are getting through the running of the H. B. A. is wonderful. We are very very grateful to these presidents and members for their loyalty and unstinted support. It was through the office that the local presidents were permitted to get 20c check for every new member added, it was through the office that local presidents are getting renewal and joining fees, it was through the office that local presidents were given their 15c Quarterly Dues, a little commission on buttons, constitutions, Rituals, funerals, etc., and as soon as we can relieve ourselves of some financial obligations we are goir.g to do more for these loyal presidents. Stand by us boys there is a brighter day for you up the road.

### WAYNESBORO, MISS.

Dear Rev. Young: Please give me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 288 is moving along and progressing nicely. We have been organized about two and a half years and love and harmony have always existed in our lodge. We feel that the H. B. A. is still progressing. We have paid our deotor bill and assisted some old and decrepit people of the community. We haven't had a doctor bill since the latter part of 1929, and we are proud to say that we have not had a death in our lodge since we have been organized. We have about $60.00 in our treasure, yet we feel and know that the H. B. A can't go forward without oppositions, therefore, I say to the agents, presidents and members as Paul said "hold fast to what you have and let no man persuade you to turn it loose." I have had two Agents of the Afro American to ask me to work for that concern, but I say H. B. A. leaders take care of your people and don't betray your trust. We feel that we, who are in this district, will take care of our lodges.

Yours for the H. B. A.,

C. M. Mayfield, President.

### MACON, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 399 is doing nicely. Everybody is working in harmony with the president, and we are getting along nicely.

We have no sickness in our lodge at the present. The Lord has blessed our lodge. I have not lost a member since I have been president.

Jim Goodwin, President.

### EASTABUCHIE, MISS.

Dear Rev. Young: Give me space in the columns of the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 348 is doing fine. We have taken in two members and have four application blanks on file for membership to our lodge.

### MACON, MISS.

Dear Rev. Young: I am writing to let all H. B. A. readers know that lodge No. 161 is trying to come along in the track of those that have gone on 161 met on the last meeting night discussed the Rally that you mentioned in the Echo to us. All of the members seemed to have been very well pleased with the plan that you have. We had ten members to volunteer in this Rally.

Ames Johnson, President.

### BROOKHAVEN, MISS.

Dear Rev. Young: We have taken up the Rally Campaign. We had two volunteers. Each group seems to be doing nicely.

Moses Walker, President.

### NEW AUGUSTA, MISSISSIPPI

Dear Editor: We had a meeting last night and I had the pleasure of reading the article concering the rally. We have two groups one known as the Hustling Workers, with Mesdames Henry and West. The Busy Bee Club with Mesdames Corter, Peay and Smith.

Lodge No. 200 is doing nicely, with brother Peay as President. We are hoping that lodge No. 200 will lead in the great rally. Pray that we might have success.

W. M. Peay, President.
Hattie Peay, Secretary.


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## EDITORIAL

### Inventory

It is very helpful for all business concerns as well as business men, to take an inventory of their business. This gives the concern or individual an opportunity to check up on the business. Before the meetings of the Boards in this month we sent printed letters to all of the local presidents asking questions regarding the growth or the decline of membership etc., in the local lodges. Ninety per cent of the local presidents have either held their own or reported a gain. In one of the local Boards we had one certain president to loose more members than all of the rest combined. There is a reason for this. It is very encouraging to know that through these strenuous times the majority of our presidents are seeing to it that they do not loose members.

We are glad to know that our people are taking care of the local presidents in sending them to the Boards. The people seem to be willing to defray the expense of these presidents and take care of them for their days service. We have had local presidents to report from one dollar to one hundred and seventy dollars in their treasures. One would be surprised to know the amount of money that we have scattered around in these local treasures. I must confess that I did not know that we had our local presidents and members so well organized. The training that the local presidents and members are getting through the running of the H. B. A. is wonderful. We are very very grateful to these presidents and members for their loyalty and unstinted support. It was through the office that the local presidents were permitted to get 20c check for every new member added, it was through the office that local presidents are getting renewal and joining fees, it was through the office that local presidents were given their 15c Quarterly Dues, a little commission on buttons, constitutions, Rituals, funerals, etc., and as soon as we can relieve ourselves of some financial obligations we are goir.g to do more for these loyal presidents. Stand by us boys there is a brighter day for you up the road.

### WAYNESBORO, MISS.

Dear Rev. Young: Please give me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 288 is moving along and progressing nicely. We have been organized about two and a half years and love and harmony have always existed in our lodge. We feel that the H. B. A. is still progressing. We have paid our deotor bill and assisted some old and decrepit people of the community. We haven't had a doctor bill since the latter part of 1929, and we are proud to say that we have not had a death in our lodge since we have been organized. We have about $60.00 in our treasure, yet we feel and know that the H. B. A can't go forward without oppositions, therefore, I say to the agents, presidents and members as Paul said "hold fast to what you have and let no man persuade you to turn it loose." I have had two Agents of the Afro American to ask me to work for that concern, but I say H. B. A. leaders take care of your people and don't betray your trust. We feel that we, who are in this district, will take care of our lodges.

Yours for the H. B. A.,

C. M. Mayfield, President.

### MACON, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 399 is doing nicely. Everybody is working in harmony with the president, and we are getting along nicely.

We have no sickness in our lodge at the present. The Lord has blessed our lodge. I have not lost a member since I have been president.

Jim Goodwin, President.

### EASTABUCHIE, MISS.

Dear Rev. Young: Give me space in the columns of the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 348 is doing fine. We have taken in two members and have four application blanks on file for membership to our lodge.

### MACON, MISS.

Dear Rev. Young: I am writing to let all H. B. A. readers know that lodge No. 161 is trying to come along in the track of those that have gone on 161 met on the last meeting night discussed the Rally that you mentioned in the Echo to us. All of the members seemed to have been very well pleased with the plan that you have. We had ten members to volunteer in this Rally.

Ames Johnson, President.

### BROOKHAVEN, MISS.

Dear Rev. Young: We have taken up the Rally Campaign. We had two volunteers. Each group seems to be doing nicely.

Moses Walker, President.

### NEW AUGUSTA, MISSISSIPPI

Dear Editor: We had a meeting last night and I had the pleasure of reading the article concering the rally. We have two groups one known as the Hustling Workers, with Mesdames Henry and West. The Busy Bee Club with Mesdames Corter, Peay and Smith.

Lodge No. 200 is doing nicely, with brother Peay as President. We are hoping that lodge No. 200 will lead in the great rally. Pray that we might have success.

W. M. Peay, President.
Hattie Peay, Secretary.


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## H. B. A. BOARDS SUCCESSFUL

As we go to press we have held five successful Boards. President I. M. Moore and his people at Deerbrook, Miss., took the horn off the goat. Never have we witness such a Board. More than we could eat was before us, twenty applications were taken in, twenty five subscribers for the Echo, good religious meetings were held. What to do with Moore I do not know, he is a cracker jack.

On Friday the 7th we were at Hattiesburg, with Mrs. Lena Johnson. That little hustling woman took the rag off the bush. 31 subscribers for the Echo, plenty to eat and then some more. Mrs. Johnson has things well in hand. We will be glad when the time comes to go back to her lodge. She always wears a smile.

We were in Meridian, in our office building on the 11th, and my my what a time. The Presidents, led by our friend, I. English, fed as never before in Meridian. About $2500 was raised at this Board.

On the 13th we found ourselves at Collins, Miss., Mrs. Ulden Barnes and her members took care of the situation.

On the 17th we found ourselves at Quitman, with that hot-shot Ed. McLemore, old Mack is a gun, his father was a gun and he is the son of his father. Blakney and McLemore seem to be coorporating at Quitman. McLemore reported $149.50 Dues and Death Claims for his lodge. We had the best reports in these five Boards that we have had in the history of the Association. Go to it boys let's put the program over.

We are expecting a big time at Canton, Miss. on the 28th. We hope to have a number of our H. B. A. friends at this meeting.

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## PRESIDENT HANDY WHITE OF LODGE NO. 235 WAS FINDED AND SUSPENDED

President Handy White of lodge No. 235 was fined $5.00 and suspended for thirty days in the last Board in Meridian on the 11th of March. Brother White was suspended for violating the laws in taking in a member who was passed age. According to information received this person was ninety six years old when she became a member. She lived in the Association four years and died at the age of one hundred. I am of the opinion that in the convention our laws should be more strenuous on such persons. A president, who would do a thing of that kind will do worse if he has a chance.

Secretary.

The following lodges reported the following amounts for Dues and Death Claims in the March Board:

| Lodge No. | Amount | Back |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | $34.95 | |
| 2 | 59.25 | |
| 3 | 49.80 | |
| 4 | 52.50 | |
| 5 | 25.50 | |
| 8 | 10.65 | |
| 9 | 60.60 | |
| 11 | 52.50 | |
| 18 | 14.70 | |
| 19 | 32.25 | |
| 20 | 47.10 | $1.40 |
| 21 | 76.80 | 1.80 |
| 22 | 43.05 | |
| 25 | 32.25 | |
| 27 | 53.85 | |
| 28 | 103.80 | |
| 30 | 79.50 | 2.80 |
| 31 | 43.05 | |
| 32 | 32.25 | |
| 33 | 60.60 | |
| 39 | 74.10 | |
| 40 | 51.50 | |
| 42 | 44.40 | |
| 44 | 12.00 | |
| 47 | 56.55 | |
| 50 | 30.90 | |
| 53 | 41.70 | |
| 54 | 13.35 | |
| 55 | 28.20 | |
| 56 | 26.85 | |
| 58 | 41.70 | |
| 60 | 14.70 | |
| 61 | 17 40 | |
| 64 | 78.15 | |
| 65 | 7.95 | |
| 66 | 12.00 | |
| 67 | 43.05 | |
| 69 | 76.80 | |
| 70 | 74.10 | |
| 72 | 51.15 | |
| 76 | 24.15 | |
| 77 | 26.85 | |
| 79 | 28.20 | |
| 84 | 13.35 | |
| 85 | 80.05 | |
| 92 | 94.35 | |
| 93 | 74.10 | |
| 96 | 53.85 | |
| 98 | 20.10 | |
| 99 | 29.55 | |
| 100 | 7.95 | |
| 102 | 103.80 | |
| 103 | 18.75 | |
| 110 | 41.70 | |
| 111 | 9.30 | 1.40 |
| 112 | 55.20 | |
| 113 | 115.95 | |
| 114 | 53.85 | |
| 116 | 72.75 | |
| 120 | 1.35 | |
| 121 | 14.70 | |
| 125 | 48.30 | |
| 131 | 37.65 | |
| 132 | 40.35 | |
| 135 | 14.70 | |
| 136 | 20.10 | |
| 138 | 3.90 | |
| 139 | 55.20 | |
| 147 | 24.15 | |
| 157 | 41.70 | |
| 161 | 32.25 | |
| 162 | 28.20 | |
| 166 | 17.30 | |
| 174 | 14.70 | |
| 176 | 34.95 | |
| 183 | 9.30 | |
| 185 | 95.70 | |
| 192 | 19.95 | |
| 198 | 37.35 | |
| 200 | 41.70 | |
| 202 | 26.85 | |
| 204 | 9.30 | |
| 205 | 17.40 | |
| 212 | 39.00 | |
| 214 | 10.65 | |
| 217 | 18.75 | |
| 218 | 26.85 | |
| 219 | 25.50 | |
| 220 | 16.05 | |
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| 276 | 12.00 | |
| 281 | 30.90 | |
| 285 | 29.55 | |
| 289 | 12.00 | |
| 293 | 30.90 | |
| 294 | 13.35 | |
| 296 | 24.15 | |
| 298 | 28.20 | |

## BROOKHAVEN, MISS

Dear Rev. Young: We have taken up the rally campaign, we have two volunteers. The Roy Young group, Mrs. Eddie Smith as Captain. The Fred Young group, Mr. Spergent Macabee as Captain. One group is racing against the other. Who will win?

Moses Walker, President.

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### LAMBERT, MISS.

Dear Editor:

Please allow me space in the Echo to let the Order know that lodge No. 387 is doing nicely.

A few days ago the death angle came and called our loving president to his celestial home. Rev. Samuel was a faithful president and a willing worker. Brother Samuel will be missing in his lodge and church as well. We are praying that our lost is heaven's gain.

Shelby Humble, President.

### MONT-ROSE, MISS.

Dear Editor: Allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know what we are doing. We are getting along nicely. Lodge No. 285 gave a little entertainment Saturday night. A nice program was rendered. We were honored in having Brother H. L. Lee with us. The following named persons appeared on program: Sister Maggie Lee, W. M. Moore, Rev. P. A. Taylor and others. A nicely prepared luncheon was served by Sister Maggie Lee and Sister Ethel Morgan.

H. A. Morgan, President.

### HIWANEE MISS.

Dear Secretary: This is to certify that I have had your editorial read in open lodge and every-body thought it was grand.

E. M. Dunn, President.

### BOND, MISS,

Dear Editor: The editoral which was printed in the Echo of February 1st was read in open lodge and we are always glad to have such pieces printed and read for the benefit of our people as a whole. Our people can not stand prosperity, if so the H. B. A. would not have trouble that it is having now. Honor ir expected from persons, who have never put forth any efforts to merit honor. Brother Secretary, be of good cheer, you have hundreds and hnndreds, who have never dreamed of being anything, but true H. B. A. s.

J. M. Hall, President.

### PELAHATCHEE, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please give me space in the Echo to let the many readers know we, the members of lodge No. 416, are doing nicely. On Saturday night February 22nd we gave a LEMON PARTY at the home of our beloved treasurer, Mrs. Girther Handy. We certainly did have a wonderful time and realized a nice little sum of $3.21. We are still alive and are planning to do great things as soon as the weather is favorable.

R. A. Lucious, President.

### DEERBROOK, MISS.

Dear Editor: Allow lodge No. 317 to say to the many readers, that we the members of lodge No. 317 have lost a lovir.g faithful member in person of sister Georgian Jones. This community will miss our dear sister for the great service she has rendered to her peaple. She departed this life February 3rd. She leaves to mourn her passing a devoted husband, several grand-children and a host of friends.

### EASTABUCHIE, MISS.

Dear Rev. Young: Please allow me space in the columns of the Echo to say to the many readers that our lodge is moving along smoothly. We have taken in two new members and have four application blanks on file for membership to our lodge.

Adams Pruitt, President.

### STATE LINE, MISS.

Dear Rev. Young: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 301 has lost a faithful member, in the person of sister Henretta Smith. Sister Smith departed this life January 20th in Laurel hospital. She leaves a loving husband, two sisters, two brothers, a mother and a host of friends to mourn her passing. Our lodge has lost a willing worker and our church has lost a faithful member. Her passing was a great shock to the community in which she lived.

James Walley, President.

### WAYNESBORO, MISS.

Dear Editor: The editorial that you published and asked that we have it read in open lodge was very timely.

Earl McNeal, President.

### BASSFIELD, MISS.

Dear Editor: After reading your editorial of February 1st in open lodge I thought it was just fine, and all of the members present were delighted to hear it. write like that again Brother Secretary.

We also read Brother W. C. McLeod's article. It was very fine.

J. M. Thompson, Reporter.

### MAXIE, MISS.

Dear Secretary: This comes to inform you that I am not able to meet the Boards, but I am praying that you will have successful Board meetings. I will not be able to travel as Agent for the Holbrook Benevolent Association as my health will not permit. I have not been in good health for one year, but I shall do all that is in my power to boost the Order. There are two or three Orders other than the H. B. A. being set up around this District, but none of them can and will take the place of the Holbrook Benevolent Association.

Rev. A. L. Thomas, Reporter.

### NEW HEBRON, MISS.

Dear Editor: This comes to let the Association know that our lodge has lost one of its faithful members in person of Sister Margaret Berry. Sister Berry departed this life February 25th. She was a faithful member and a willing worker. Her seat will never be filled. Sister Berry has only paid the debt we all must pay soon or late. She leaves to mourn her passing three sons and a host of relatives and friends.

SAM BUCKLEY, President

We have had quite a few letters from the local presidents commending the article written by W. C. McLeod at Bassfield. McLeod's letter shows much thought. I would advise all presidents to read the letter in open lodge.

R. L. Y.

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(Selected)

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When it comes to success, failure, happiness, prosperity, thorns and roses, these things are in our own hands and it is up to us to take those we choose.

There are thousands of persons who will not be happy simply because they **Will** to be miserable, and there are millions of people who will not be prosperous simply because they **Will** to live in poverty. No person can make you miserable unless you permit yourself to be so, and all the worlds combined cannot keep you in poverty if you have backbone enough to be otherwise.

Within every human being the Creator has placed a human power plant and that power plant has been placed within you for your benefit, but there is one thing that will cause that human power plant to die from the want of use and that one thing is decision. It takes decision to start the fire that will get sufficient steam up in the boiler to set this human power plant in motion, and no one has the power to make the decision that will start your power plant going but yourself.

God never intended any human being to be a failure and if you are a failure it is your fault-not the power that created you-and there is only one thing that is keeping you a failure and that thing is the lack of decision. If you will decide immediately to be a success and back up that decision with determination, backbone and work, you will succeed, but if you never make the decision, you will never succeed.

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## SHOULD NON-CHURCH MEMBERS HOLD OFFICE IN THE H. B. A.

Editorial

Because of numerous letters as well as personal questions regarding the above subject, I thought that I would write relative to this matter. So many people have asked me as to whether it was lawful for a person, who is not a member of the church to hold office in the H. B. A. such as local president, vice president, secretary etc. So far as our law is concerned, there is nothing in the constitution that prohibits a sinner from holding an office in the Holbrook Benevolent Association. In this article, I am expressing my opinion. I am not advising any local lodges as to what they should do along these lines.

To be perfectly frank, I am opposed to non-church members holding any kind of office in the H. B. A. In the first place, the H. B. A. is purely a Christian and Benevolent Organization and if a person joins this Order, who is not a Christian, it should be the duty of all members to do their best to influence such person to be a Christian. I do not believe, that sinners have any right to be officers in a christian Organization. I am not speaking against them from a moral standpoint, but a religious standpoint. To be fair with ourselves, if sinners are allowed to hold these responsible positions, what influence will he or she weild over the people. It can not be a christian influenece. Suppose a sinner is called on to read the scripture, lead a song, pray a prayer, or obligate members, with God's word in his hand? I do not believe, that God would be pleased knowing that the Bible is being handled in such a way. Sinners can not lead christians in a religious way. They may be good morally, but unless they know Jesus Christ in the pardon of their sins, unless they can get on their knees and pray to the Heavenly Father as one of his children, unless they can touch the telephone wire and get in touch with Jehovah's throne, unless there will be seen radiating from their deeds and actions, the christian love, that flows from the fountain above, they can not lead religiously.

No local society is fully organized with people at the head as officers who are not willing then and there to be christians. What do you suppose would happen to this organization if the General officers were mixed up, some church members and others non-church members. What right has sinners to perform ceremonies around the grave? What right has sinners to take part in funeralizing? What right has a sinner to lead christians? God forbid that the time should never come, when men will be elected to the head of this Organization, who do not profess to be christians.

R. L. Y.

## H. B. A. BOARD AT COLUMBIA AND PINOLA

On the 19th of March we were at Columbia, Miss., holding an H. B. A. Board. President, D. M. Marshall and his good people spared no little pains in making it comfortable for us. After the reports were all taken in a splendid program was rendered by the pupils of the City School, with two of the teachers in charge. The singing by the boys was good. A solo by Miss Marshall was out of the ordinary. A splendid reception was given in honor of the General Officers at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Bridges. It was the best we had ever witnessed. Mr. and Mrs. Bridges seem to be doing well in Columbia. They have a nice home and the best Cafe among our people, every thing is neat and clean, so much so that one regrets to leave such a home. Mrs. Bridges, was in position to give five of us good beds in which to sleep. She had another bed to spare for my friend Dr. W. J. Tate, but Dr. Tate is so popular in Columbia that he could not fill all of the invitations so he chose another place. A splendid program was rendered at the school Wednesday night, the H. B. A. sand Masons cooperated. We are hoping for another early visit to Columbia.

On Thursday we were on Dryridge out from Shivers, Miss. We were entertained by President S. L. Walker and his good people. Walker and his folks tried themselves. The Dryridge young men and women are really the best singers we have heard any where. They can work their tongues two to one. We took in quite a few members at both of these Boards, some became full fledge members by paying $2.00 for their policies. Columbia and Pinola, Marshall and Walker, we shall never forget you all.

Secretary.

MOSELLE, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to say a few words concerning lodge No. 390. We are all working in harmony and peace. We have two application blanks on file for membership to our lodge. Pray that our membership might grow.

John Benson, President.


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The following lodges reported the following amounts for Dues, Death, etc. in the March Boards:

| Lodge No. | Amount | Back |
|---|---|---|
| 234 | 9.30 | |
| 237 | 21.45 | 1.50 |
| 242 | 39.00 | |
| 247 | 18.75 | |
| 249 | 51.15 | |
| 256 | 16.05 | |
| 257 | 32.25 | |
| 251 | 37.65 | |
| 259 | 21.45 | |
| 261 | 99.75 | |
| 264 | 12.00 | |
| 267 | 29.55 | |
| 268 | 5.25 | |
| 269 | 25.50 | |
| 277 | 79.50 | |
| 278 | 32.25 | |
| 158 | 1.35 | |
| 159 | 14.70 | |
| 160 | 47.10 | 1.40 |
| 163 | 21.45 | |
| 167 | 22.80 | |
| 178 | 16.05 | |
| 179 | 52.50 | |
| 180 | 14.70 | |
| 181 | 48.45 | |
| 193 | 34.95 | |
| 194 | 70.05 | |
| 195 | 59.25 | |
| 196 | 59.25 | |
| 199 | 28.20 | |
| 203 | 12.00 | |
| 207 | 39.00 | |
| 210 | 10.65 | |
| 213 | 155.15 | |
| 215 | 26.85 | |
| 224 | 71.40 | |
| 105 | $30.90 | |
| 108 | 72.75 | |
| 109 | 18.75 | |
| 148 | 148.00 | |
| 286 | 52.30 | |
| 287 | 16.05 | |
| 288 | 56.55 | |
| 290 | 53.85 | |
| 301 | 90.30 | |
| 303 | 30.90 | |
| 306 | 43.00 | |
| 313 | 44.30 | |
| 326 | 105.15 | |
| 330 | 22.80 | |
| 331 | 37.65 | |
| 342 | 39.00 | |
| 343 | 44.40 | |
| 345 | 41.70 | |
| 347 | 44.95 | |
| 352 | 5.25 | |
| 353 | 32.25 | |
| 355 | 17.40 | |
| 368 | 68.70 | |
| 369 | 21.45 | |
| 378 | 10.65 | |
| 385 | 10.65 | |
| 402 | 22.80 | |
| 410 | 16.05 | |
| 418 | 17.40 | |
| 424 | 8.10 | |
| 405 | 13.35 | |
| 23 | 110.55 | |
| 49 | 33.60 | |
| 25 | 44.40 | |
| 57 | 138.80 | |
| 62 | 6.75 | |
| 63 | 25.50 | |
| 74 | 26.85 | |
| 75 | 48.45 | |
| 76 | 24.15 | |
| 80 | 56.55 | |
| 82 | 105.25 | |
| 95 | 47.10 | |
| 119 | 99.40 | |
| 123 | 79.50 | |
| 127 | 125.30 | |
| 130 | 49.80 | |
| 141 | 32.25 | |
| 145 | 82.20 | |
| 151 | 29.55 | |
| 153 | 51.25 | |

## TRUE H. B. A. S

Agent A. M. Walker, president Ben Phillips and president J. M. Martin from Lambert, Miss., up in the delta, attended the Board at Canton. We are of the opinion, that we have not a more loyal set of H. B. A. s than these three men. They rode all night to the Board. Were up all during the day, stayed there until 10:30 that night, got in their car and rode the balance of the night back to the delta and it was cold. Again I say there is no one in the Association any more loyal to this Order than these men. The June Board will be held at Lambert. We hope that agent A. M. Walker will organize at least three more lodges by that time.

Secretary.

## SUCCESSFUL BOARD AT CANTON

We had a very very successful Board on March 28th at Canton, Miss. We were in that $35,000.00 brick church built and pastored by that giant leader of men, Rev. A. D. Purnell. Rev. Purnell is a good mixer, good preacher and knows how to entertain strangers. He has the best church building among our people, that I have seen anywhere.

President Jesse Boyd and his good people made it pleasant for us while in Canton. Boyd seems to be a real man and we predict that in the near future, he will have one of the best lodges in the state. The program on Friday night was excellent. Rev. H. Ray preached. When I say that Ray preached, that is enough. Those of us, who know him know that "he struts his stuff."

R. L. Y.

## RALLY IS HOT

The office wishes to congratulate the warm response by the local presidents, who are interested in the Rally plan, that we have suggested. We want each president to keep an account of all moneys raised through this effort. We want all reports in not later than the 20th of May, in order that we may publish it for the first of June. We want to see what president and lodge will lead. Whoever leads will be crowned king, who ever takes second place will be queen. Lets see if we can not raise at least $2,500.00 for the local lodges. Please do not let that Fred Young group beat that Roy Young group.

Secretary.

## THE FOLLOWING LODGES FAILED TO REPORT IN THE MARCH BOARDS:

| Lodge No. | President | Location |
|---|---|---|
| 201 | Bradford | Heidelberg |
| 280 | McGowan | Quitman |
| 292 | Hill | Newton |
| 297 | Jenkins | Gulfport |
| 316 | Brown | Mt. Rose |
| 322 | Williams | Hickory |
| 323 | Williams (L.M.) | Newton |
| 265 | Woullard | Vernal |
| 370 | Ross | Arm |
| 572 | Expose | Mize |
| 396 | Baggett | Kiln |
| 401 | McCall | Millard |
| 409 | Haynes | Gholson |
| 425 | Chapman | Jackson |

Now presidents, you know that you are not complying with the law when you fail to make your reports.

Secretary.

## MERIDIAN, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the columns of the Echo to let the members and friends of the Echo know that our lodge, the leading lodge of the city, is moving along smoothly. Love, peace and harmony exist throughout our membership. Our membership is continually growing. Our local president, Mr. E. F. Young, Jr. seems to have the H. B. A. spirit at heart. We have one member on the sick list, in the person of Mrs. W. C. Baity, wife of Mr. W. C. Baity, manager of The Good-Will Printing Co. located in the H. B. A. building. We are hoping that Mrs. Baity will soon improve and be herself again.

E. F. Young, Jr. President.
Mattie L. Larkin, Reporter.

## QUITMAN, MISS.

Dear Rev. Young: This comes to say that we, the members of lodge No. 213 have lost one of our true and faithful H. B. A. members, in the person of sister Patience Alexander. Sister Alexander died March 27, 1930 Her passing was a shock to the community in which she lived. She was faithful to her church and society. Her seat will be vacant in our lodge. There is no one, who will be in position to fill her vacant seat. We are hoping that our lost is heaven's gain.

Ed. McLemore, President.

TOOMSUBA, MISS.

Dear Editor: Give me space in the columns of the Echo to inform the many readers, that lodge No. 28 has lost one of its best members, in the person of Sister Bessie Reed. She was a faithful member in church and society. We pray that our lost is heaven's gain..

Sister Reed leaves to mourn her passing a devoted husband, four children and a host of friends.

M. V. B. Pitts, President.

TOOMSUBA, MISS.

Dear Secretary: This comes to let you know that your plan, the Rally, is working well in lodge No. 22. We are proud to know that, we have a Secretary who is able to give plans to the local lodges, in order that they may be benefited. I am doing all that I can to grow my membership and am also working to swell our treasure.

My membership as a whole is working in harmony with the Rally. The following clubs are working in lodge No. 22: The Fred Young club, Busy club, Roy Young club and the the Smart club.

J. C. Williams, President.

MACON, MISS.

Dear Editor: The article through the Echo relative to the rally was read. All of the members of lodge No. 394 seemed to have liked it fine. We have organized three groups in our lodge, they are as follows: The Hustling group, with Mr. Bennie Sanders as Captain, The Fred Young group, with Mr. John Moore as Captain, Roy Young group, with Mrs. Bettie Roberson as Captain. We mean to make this rally a success.

Eddie Robinson, President.

SHUQUALAK, MISS.

Dear Secretary: Lodge No. 93 is doing fine, the whole lodge has pledged itself to make this rally a success. We have five groups in our lodge, namely: No. 1 Willing workers group, No. 2 Roy Young group, No. 3 E. F. Young group, No. 4 Good Will Workers group and No.5 The Booster group. We mean to report at least $50.00 in the rally. Ten dollars from each group.

W. L. Gillespie, President.
Lillie Anderson, Secretary.

LAWRENCE, MISS.

Dear Rev. Young: We have read your letter pertaining to the Rally. All of the members are taking a part in our drive. We have two groups: The Fred Young group, and the R. L. Young group. We are planning to make this Rally a success.

Mrs. M. E. Currie, Pres.

EASTABUCHIE, MISS.

Dear Editor: This comes to say that lodge No. 348 is doing nicely. Our lodge is getting along just fine in every phase of work. We have taken in two new members and have four application blanks on file for memership.

VANCE, MISS.

Dear Editor: In reply to your request concerning the rally I wish to state that lodge No. 204 has fallen in line. We have three groups in our lodge. The Hustling group, with Mrs. Pearleaner Phillips as Captain, E. F. Young group, with Mrs. Lula Harrison as Captain and R. L. Young group, with Mrs. Georgia Tirkill as Captain. We mean to have a grand time in our rally.

B. F. Phillips, President.

SHUBUTA, MISS.

Dear Editor: The article through the Echo concerning the Rally was read in open lodge by the Secretary. After said article was read, the members began to stir like bees, and after they had talked among themselves the good of the Rally, they formed two groups. No. 1, known as the Fred Young group, and No. 2 known as the Roy L. Young group. Mr. Charlie Carter is leader of group No. 1 and Mr. Julius Heidelburg leader of No. 2. Pray that success will be ours

Mrs. E. Heidelburg, Pres.

HATTIESBURG, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the columns of the Echo to let the many readers know that No. 293 is yet encourged to go on. Since having the H. B. A. Board to convene with our lodge on the 7th, where an ill and envious spirit existed, caused by different opinions, a spirit of love and cooperation now exist.

The people of the community are very much delighted with the H. B. A. work. We are encourged to believe that 293 will now grow.

Yours for the work,
E. E. Ryon, Reporter.

MACON, MISS.

Dear Editor: The members of our lodge are very well pleased over the article that appeared through the Echo relative to the Rally. The following clubs are now at work: Mr. B. L. Cockrell, Fred Young club; Mrs. Willie Joiner, Busy club; Master W. F. Johnson, Jr., Ethel Peterson club; Mrs. Lottie Ivy, Roy L. Young club; Mr. H. C. Cockrell, Roy club; Mrs. Lizzie Rice, Go Slow club; Mr. Tom Davis, M. and F club. We are planning to have a big time in our lodge raising money

Ames Johnson, Pres.

BUCATUNNA, MISS.

Dear Rev. Young: This comes to let the many readers know that lodge No. 214 is doing nicely. I was reading a very timely article through the columns of the Echo, "What It Cost To Tell The Truth." I wish to state, that this article was worth while. Truth crushed to the earth will rise again, is just as true as true can be.

Rev. J. L. Story, President.

NOTICE

All President who desire the June Boards will kindly write a letter to the office, give a description of the place where we are to meet and how we can get there. Some have all ready written for the Board. Please remember that all of you can't get the June Board, but we will do our best to serve eight places and ten if possible.

R. L. Y.

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## WAYNESBORO

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know how lodge No. 190 is getting along. We, the members of lodge No. 190 are really putting things over in first class style.

We had a rally March 30. Revs. H. Ray and T. A. Carter assisted us in this meeting. A great service was witnessed.

We were honored with the privildege of having the General President and his wife. Just before the sermon a local program was rendered, conducted by Sister E. E Turner. This was one of the best programs that we have had. After the program we listened to two sermons by the Revs. H. Ray and T. A. Carter. We were fortunate to raise a nice sum of $45.00 in this rally, and received twenty six (26) applications for membership. Boys, what do you think about that? I think I'm going to have to put on another rally to make the candidates. I got as fine a membership as there is in the Association.

I want to inform all H. B. A. presidents, that if you ever think of putting on an H. B. A. rally or drive please get Rev. H. Ray or Rev. T. A. Carter to assist you. They really know how to deliver the goods. I don't believe that any local president can make a successful leader, unless he has been introduced by the Father and the Son. We, as leaders can not lead others unless we have the Father with us.

It is an evident fact, that if you are holding a good light, members will naturally flock to that light, but if your light is dim, no-body knows where you are, nor cares to come to you. You must gain the confidence of the folks and then all other things will be added. Local presidents, H. B. A. No. 190 has gone on. I am not after anyone, but brother Ed. McLemore (smile). He put things over lodge No. 190 in the March Board, but I want all of you to look out for No. 190.

I would like to see a local president, who has taken in twenty six members in one dsy, since the March Board. If you have done it why not let us know about it?

D. L. Harris, President.

## HATTIESBURG

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the paper to say I think we some time wait to long to tell our comrades and great leaders of our race how much we love and appreciate them. Often we wait and tell others at the grave. Some one may ask, how have Rev. R. L. Young and Rev. E. F. Young accomplished so great a task as leaders of the H. B. A.? My answer is by saying God is with them. Where ever a plan is put forth as great as the H. B. A. Building and accomplished, I will say God was the architect. Therefore, we can't fail with such a prop as our eternal God. Lets give credit to whom credit is due. I don't think that there is a one of us, who objects good things being said about us when we know we have put over a worth while program and yet when we don't deserve it, we see it as casting a reflection upon us, but may I say, that the H. B. A. Building, located in Meridian, is a credit to the entire race.

"If with pleasure you are viewing
Any work a man is doing,
If you like him or you love him
Tell him now.
Don't with hold your approbation
Till the parson makes oration,
And he lies with snowy lilies over his brow.
For no matter how you shout it
He want really care about it.
He want know how many tear drops
You have shed.
If you think some praises due him;
Now is the time to slip it to him;
For he can not read his tomb-stone
When he is dead.
More than fame and more than Money;
Is the comment kind and sunny;
And the hearty warm approval of a friend.
For it gives to life a savior;
And it makes you stronger and braver
And give you heart and spirit to the end.
If he earns your praises
Bestow it;
If you like him
Let him know it.
Let the word of true eucouragement be said.
Do not wait till life is over
And he is underneath the clover,
For he can not read his tomb-stone
When he is dead."

Mrs. Mattie Nicholson, Reporter.

## WAYNESBORO

Dear Rev. Young: Allow lodge No. 193 space in the columns of the Echo to say that our lodge is moving along smoothly. We were blessed with having Mr. Ed McLemore, that "hot cat", with us on the first Sunday. He preached a wonderful sermon and took in nine applicants. We raised a nice little sum of $10.00 Pray that our lodge might continue to grow in finance and membership.

R. C. Chapman, President.

## BROOKLYN

Dear Editor: This is to let the H. B. A. readers and friends know, that lodge No. 220 has lost a faithful member in the person of Brother Sam Andrews. Brother Andrew was one of the first members to join lodge No. 220 in the organizing. He has been faithful and loyal to every phase of work that was put in his charge. We will miss our dear Brother. His seat is vacant in our lodge.

Mrs. Azerline Andrew, President.

## STATE LINE

Dear Rev. Young: This comes to inform you and the many many readers, that we are working on the plan that was given to us through the columns of the Echo relative to the rally.

Our members are all working in harmony with the Rally. Quite a few volunteered to be leaders of the different clubs. We are working to let you hear from us later and the great work that we are planning to do.

James Walley, President.

## PINOLA

Dear Editor: Allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know, that we the members of lodge No. 368 have lost one of our faithful members in the person of sister Lizzie Walker. Sister Walker was a faithful member and a willing worker.

She leaves seven children to mourn her passing. We are praying that our lost is heaven's gain.

S. L. Walker, Reporter.

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### NOTICE

In the last issue of the Echo we reported that lodge No. 322 had failed to report Dues and Death Claims. I wish to make that correction. Lodge No. 322 reported $10.40 for the March quarter.

R. L. Y.

### WAY SIDE MEDICINE

(Dr. L. F. Brooks)

Clothes Relation To Health

Clothes have been a part of man's holding since the days of Adam. Clothes have always found their great est use in protecting the body and in giving appearance to the body. Each surrounding has not only added to the style of clothes, but to the wearing quality as well, thus giving greater value to clothes as to comfort durability and appearance.

The advance of civilization has added complexitives to the numan life, and these have given rise to a greater demand on the part of the body, that its health be safe-guarded and protected by the sound use of clothes. In ancient times the attire of the human family was very simple and decidedly brief, and seemingly today in the very midst of civilization we are witnessing a return to the thought and practive of antiquity when nothing but a leaf or two served to protect the body from the cold and nakedness.

Civilized man of to-day is so delicate in his makeup that the body must carefully and wisely be protected with suitable clothing. Both the animal and vegetable kingdoms supply us with material for clothing. Linen from the inner bark of the flax plant. Cotton from the fibers of the boll of cotton plant. Silk from certain spiders and the silkworm. Wool from the sheep and goat. Hair from horse and camel. Leather, the tanned skin of animals, and fur from the skin of animals with the hair attached.

(To be continued)

### NOTICE

Board No. 7 will be held at Palmers Crossing, four (4) miles South of Hattiesburg, Joe Knox, Pres.

Board No. 2 will be held at Porterville, thirty two (32) miles North of Meridian, F. L. Key, Pres.

Board No. 4 will be held at Eastabuchie, three hundred (300) yards from the depot, Adam Pruitt, President.

Board No. 3 will be held in the H. B. A. Auditorium Meridian,

Board No. 5 will be held at Tribulation Church, three and a half (3 1-2) mile West of Shubuta, Mrs. E. Heidelburg, Pres.

Board No. 1 will be held at Beck Chapel Church one half mile East of Scooba, S. T. Beck, Pres.

All presidents, whose names are mentioned above as entertaining the June Board, and who have not sent in the name of the church or school, are requested to do so at once, in order that we might publish same.

Secretary.

### H. B. A. BOARDS FOR JUNE WILL MEET AS FOLLOWS:

1 Scooba, Miss. S. T. Beck, President, Monday June 2, 1930.
2 Porterville, Miss. F. L. Key, Pres. Tuesday June 3, 1930.
3 Meridian, Miss. H. B. A. Auditorium, Wednesday June 4,1930.
4 Eastabuchie, Miss. A. M. Pruitt, President Thursday June 5, 1930.
5 Laurel, E. D. Daniel, President, Friday June 6, 1930.
6 State Line, James Walley, Pres. Monday June 9, 1930.
7 Hattiesburg, Joe Knox, Pres. Tuesday June 10, 1930.
8 Shubuta, Mrs. E. Heidelburg, Pres. Wednesday June 11, 1930.
3 Lambert, J. M. Martin, Pres. Fridey June 13, 1930.

### PACHUTA

Dear Editor: The article through the Echo relative to the Rally was read in open lodge. All of the members seemed to have liked it fine. We have organized four groups in our lodge, and they are as follows: The Hustling group, with Mr. Dock Gilmore as captain, The Roy Young group with Mr. J. W. Gray as captain, Go Slow group with Miss Ruth Doby as captain, and the Fred Young grouq with Mrs. Emily Gray as captain. We mean to make this Rally a success.

Mrs. Eva. Sumrall, President.

### RICHTON

Dear Rev. Young: Please allow me space in the Echo to say that lodge No. 294 is trying to press forward. The load seems a little hard, but we are trying to over come it, by the help of the good Lord. I am trying my best to get on foot again. Pray for me and my lodge. There is just a handful of us, but we are trying to be true to our obligation.

B. H. Seals, President.

### BROOKHAVEN

Dear Editor: This is to let you hear a little some thing from lodge No. 353. We are doing nicely. On our last meeting night, we initated three candidates. The root of the H. B. A. vine has taken a firmer holt here in the hearts and minds of our members and friends. We are doing our best in our lodge.

Rev. W. S. Price, President.


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## EDITOR LEAVES FOR GENERAL CONFERENCE

Rev. R. L. Young will leave the city May 5th for Louisville, Kentucky. He is chairman of the South Mississippi General Conference delegation.

## TO DELIVER BACCALAUEATE SERMON

Rev. R. L. Young will deliver the Baccalaureate sermon for Prof. L. T. Ellis of Jones County Training School, Summerland, Miss. April 27, at 11:00 A. M.

## ELLISVILLE

Dear Rev. Young: Allow lodge No. 77 to say through the columns of the Echo, that we are doing nicely. Love peace and harmony exist throughout our lodge. We met on the usual meeting night, and had one of the best meetings we have had. We had a little tea party to raise funds for our lodge, and realized a nice little sum.

We have had quite a bit of sickness in our lodge, but we are proud to say that everybody is up and on the mend. We are planning to have Agent J. E. Durr with us soon, and are praying that through him our lodge will increase its membership.

Mrs. Bettie Faulknor, Pres.

## EASTABUCHIE

Dear Editor: Allow me space in your paper to say that lodge No. 348 is doing fine. We have been working on the Rally that was planned to us through the Echo. No. 1 R. L. Young group, and group No. 2 known as E. E. Young group. We feel that our lodge is progressing fine.

A. M. Pruitt, President.

## JUNE BOARD COLLECTION

Dear Presidents: You are requested to collect $1.40 from each member of your lodge and report same at the June Board. Please do your best. We are planning to send out all of the deaths, that we have this Board, and it will be absolutely necessary that you collect from all of your members, in order that we pay above $220.00.

Please do your best. We are giving you plenty of time in which to notify your members and collect.

E. F. Young, General President.

## $10,102 MARCH COLLECTION

The March Boards ended successfully for our great Organization. The total collection on all claims and for all purposes was $10,102.00. The assessment for this Board was $1.35 per member. We paid thirty two claimants $221.00 each. We paid $220.00 in the Board and we have $1.00 in the office to be mailed out to the claimants. We believe that $10,102.00 was a nice collection for these strenuous times. We wish to thank the presidents and members and all concerned for the efforts manifested in making the March Board a success.

We are of the opinion that the presidents made the best reports as a whole that have ever been made. It seems that if every president did his best to report for all of his members. Congratulations to you heroes, who are on the fields in different sections.

See to it that the H. B. A. banner does not trail in the dust.

Secretary.

## NEWTON

Dear Editor: This comes to let you and the many readers know that lodge No. 337 is in harmony with the Rally. We have formed two groups in our lodge as follows: Group No. 1 Fred Young, with Mrs. Bessie Drummond ar captain. Group No. 2 Roy Young, with Mrs. Katie Jones as captain. We are working to make this Rally a success. We will let you hear more from our lodge later on.

Prof. A. C. Drummond, President.

The Following Lodges Reported the Following Amounts: (From March Board)

| Lodge No. | Amount Back |
|---|---|
| 391 | $8.55 |
| 416 | 12.00 |
| 387 | 25.50 |
| 388 | 20.10 |
| 408 | 40.35 |
| 118 | 62.95 |
| 133 | 105.15 |
| 312 | 14.70 |
| 297 | 10.80 |
| 45 | 76.80 |
| 419 | 17.40 |
| 417 | 28.20 |
| 422 | 14.70 |
| 423 | 1.35 |
| 298 | 28.20 |
| 299 | 13.35 |
| 300 | 12.30 |
| 302 | 12.00 |
| 304 | 33.60 |
| 305 | 9.30 |
| 307 | 28.20 |
| 311 | 5.25 |
| 317 | 75.45 |
| 324 | 14.70 |
| 329 | 9.30 |
| 334 | 16.05 |
| 339 | 25.50 |
| 340 | 18.75 |
| 341 | 14.70 |
| 344 | 21.45 |
| 348 | 24.15 |
| 354 | 20.10 |
| 358 | 34.95 |
| 359 | 13.35 |
| 360 | 4.05 |
| 361 | 16.05 |
| 364 | 16.05 |
| 377 | 5.25 |
| 380 | 14.70 |
| 381 | 25.50 |
| 382 | 17.30 |
| 383 | 3.90 |
| 384 | 9.60 |
| 386 | 9.30 |
| 389 | 14.70 |
| 390 | 22.80 |
| 392 | 10.65 |
| 393 | 12.00 |
| 394 | 25.50 |
| 395 | 16.05 |
| 397 | 10.65 |
| 398 | 5.40 |
| 399 | 17.40 |
| 411 | 16.05 |
| 413 | 30.90 |
| 415 | 12.00 |
| 420 | 26.85 |
| 422 | 14.70 |

## NOTICE

The H. B. A. Board will meet at State Line, Miss. June 9th. Those meeting this Board will come five miles South West of State Line to Mt. Olive Baptist Church on the Avra road The road is good and dry all the way.

James Walley, President.

## PORTERVILLE

Dear Rev. Young: This comes to let the many readers know that on the 11th of April Rev. J. E. Grace's home was burned and everything in it. He is asking all of the local lodges that desire, to donate him something in his distress. Any amount given will be highly appreciated. If there was ever a time the poor man's friend needs to prove itself now is the time. If anyone has anything to give Brother Grace, you may send it to his address. J. E. Grace, R. 1 B. 18,

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Before me, a Notary Public in and for the State and county aforesaid, personally appeared Roy L. Young, who, having been duly sworn according to law, deposes and says that he is the editor, publisher, business manager and owner of The Echo, and that the following is, to the best of his knowledge and belief, a true statement of the ownership and management of the aforesaid publication for the date shown in the above caption, required by the Act of August 24, 1912, embodied in section 411, Postal Laws and Regulations, printed on the reverse of this form, to-wit:

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ROY L. YOUNG.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 8th day of April, 1930.

J. E. SEALS, Jr.,

(Seal) Notary Public.

My commission expires Aug. 5, 1931

## COLLINS

Dear Rev. Young: This is to let you and the many readers know that lodge No. 428 is doing nicely. We gave a small entertainment to raise money to help swell our treasure. Our lodge is very very young, but we have a nice little sum of $17.45 in our home treasure. We are expecting to do big things later on. Look out for lodge No. 428.

E. L. Crosby, President.

## PHILADELPHIA

Dear Editor: Allow lodge No. 334 space in the Echo to say to the many readers, that we who have reformed ourselves, why speak of the unpleasant past when the present is better? If we had within us a spirit of tolerance, forgiveness, helpfulness and a spirit of uplif we should try to assist those who are trying to make themselves better. It is a difficult job to climb out of the mire and to get out of a hole where one has fallen.

The person, who trys to get out of a hole should be admired, assisted and encouraged in every way possible. We will get more out of life if we will be kind and helpful to those struggling to help themselves. There would be more joy and less bitterness in our lives.

Let us look on the brighter side of life and ever be reminded of our obligation. The fault of our brothers we write upon the sands, their virtues upon the tablets of love and nemory.

H. T. Houston, President.

## TENTATIVE

The following named persons will be paid off in the June Boards:

1 S. E. Paterson No. 80 J. H. Drake ford, President. Stonewall,
2 Riller Jackson No. 92 Clem Brown President. Laurel,
3 O. C. Lacy No. 231 Joe Knox, President. Laurel,
4 Beth Bradley No. 190, D. L. Harris, Pres. Waynesboro,
5 Edna Berry No. 5, Frank Welch, President. Whynot,
6 John Gains No. 148 C. H. Moody President. Soso,
7 Curry Jury No. 127, G. W. Heard President. Shubuta,
8 Nellie Jackson No. 20, W. N. Knott, Pres. Kewanee
9 Wylie Ward No. 9, D. B. Borders, President. Meridian,
10 Archi Ramsy No. 209, Prince Hayns, Pres. Bucatunna,
11 Georgian Jones No. 317, I. M. Moore, Pres. Deerbrook,
12 Henretta Smith No. 301, James Walley, Pres. State Line,
13 George Kelley No. 411, Bob Tatum, President. Burnside,
14 Annie A. Howze No. 127, G. W. Heard, President. Shubuta,
15 Dollie Love No. 112, J. C. Coleman, President. Dekalb,
16 Hue Magee No. 256, C. M. Myers President. New Hebron,
17 Quilla Bunch No. 195, R. McCormick, Pres. Heidelburg,
18 Malissia Dyess No. 176, Derias Croft, President. Chunkey,
19 Rachel Ward No. 111, Thomas Jackson, President. Complete,
20 Ella Carter No. 93, W. L. Gillespie, President. Shuqualak,
21 Mag Berry No. 343, Sam Buckley, President. New Hebron,
22 Tobe Hopkin No. 311, Mrs. S. W. Hopkin, Pres. Hickory,
23 Warn Webb No. 394, Eddie Robinson, President, Macon,
24 Bessie Reed No. 28, M. V. B. Pitts, Presidents. Toomsuba,
25 W. D. McShann No. 9, D. B. Borders, Pres. Meridian,
26 Roscoe Burrough No. 202, Henry Spell, Pres. Ellisville
27 Rev. Henry Samuel No. 387 Shelby Humbly, Pres. Tunica,
28 Susie Gardner No. 342, A. G. Gardner, Pres. New Hebron,
29 Allis Dandus No. 217, E. G. Gordan, Pres. McLaurin,
30 J. H. Jackson, No. 116, Matthew Rowe, Pres. Mt. Olive,
31 Oliver Beard No. 301, James Walley, President. State Line,
32 Patsy Dungeon No. 2, J. F. Chapell, President. Meridian,
33 Lizzie Walker, No. 368, S. L. Walker, President. Pinola.
34 Georgia M. Smith No. 277, Prof. J. J. Picket, Pres. Brookhaven,
35 Patience Alexander No. 213, Ed McLemore, Pres. Quitman.

## MERIDIAN

Dear Editor: Please allow me a little space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 9 is doing nicely.

The death angel came and summoned our lodge and called Brother W. D. McShann to his celestial home. Mr. McShann was vice president of lodge No. 9 and deacon of his church. He will be missing in his lodge and church as well. He was loved by all who knew him. The community in which he lived will miss him, because of the way in which he conducted himself in all walks of life.

He leaves to mourn his passing a loving wife, five children and a host of relatives and friends.

A precious one from us has parted, a voice we loved is still, a place is vacant in our church, which never can be filled.

D. B. Borders, President.
Mrs. Claud Borders, Reporter.

## LAMBERT

Dear Rev. Young: Enclosed you will find a money order to the amount of 20.00 for ten (10) certificates. We are working to put the H. B. A. program over up in this section. Shelby Humbly, President.

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Flour up high and cotton down low
How in the world can we raise the dough?
Our clothes worn out,
Shoes run down;
Old slouch hat with a hole in the crown;
Backs broken, fingers all sore,
Cotton gone down to rise no more.
When cotton is low and eats are high,
It appears to me that is to diversify;
Would be a sane and easy way,
To bring about a better day.
With butter at fifty cents a pound,
And cream at forty the year around;
With turkey high and going higher,
Its enough to kindle a greater desire,
To raise more birds and a little less hell,
In a land where opportunity dwell.
Seventeen cent cotton, eleven dollar pants;
Who in the world has got a chance?
We can't buy clothes We can't buy meat,
Got too much cotton and nothing to eat;
We've got no homes; got no wealth;
Can't help each other, what shall we do?
I can't solve the problem so its up to you.
If you would give more time to the dairy cow,
And better feed to the old brood sow;
You'd not worry about the price of meat,
For you'd have plenty yourself to eat.
With fifty cent eggs, and six bit hens
Why oh! Why should the children of men ;Ruin their fingers and break t e backs,
Picking seventeen cent cotton
In bagging sacks.
Seventeen cent cotton and a car load of tax;
The load is too heavy for our poor backs,
We're a good set of farmers,
We are all known well,
We all work hard and we groan and sweat.
Now we are ruined, we are a blown up set,
No use talking any man's best
With seventeen cent cotton and forty cent meat
With corn in the crib and chicken in the yard;
With meat in the smoke-house and tubs full of lard,
With cream in the pitcher and honey in the mug;
With butter on the table and lasses in the jug,
Things to you want seem so high,
For you will be selling and want have to buy.
Now stop that grumbling the faults are all your own,
You expect to reap where you have not sown. If others stay at home and help the mate,
Then you would not have to berate, and you are eve in paradise,
This to you is my advice.

H. B. A. No. 304

## BARNETT

Dear Editor: This comes to let the many readers know that lodge No. 257 has lost a faithful membere in the person of Brother Richard Coleman. Brother Coleman died on April 18th, 1930. He leaves to mourn his passing a wife, five loving children and a host of relatives and friends.

Brother Coleman was a faithful member in his church and society. We believe that our lost is heaven's gain.

Bessie Cooley, Reporter.

## LAUREL

Rev. R. L. Young, Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to say that our lodge, No. 430 which was organized by Mr. J. E. Durr State Representative, gave a Box Supper to help swell our treasure. This little entertainment was sponsored by Sister Susie Thomas assisted by all members of the lodge. We realized a nice little sum of $12.00. We were honored with having with us Agent J. E. Durr and he gave us some very helpful hints.

We wish to state to the other H. B. A. lodges that we are coming on.

Jim Collins, President.
Addie Kimbrough, Secretary.

## SHUBUTA

Dear Editor: Please give me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that we, the members of H. B. A. lodge No. 130 have lost a true and faithful member, in the person of Rev. O. H. Hawkins. Brother Hawkins departed this life April 16th. He will be missed by this whole community.

Rev. Hawkins leaves to mourn his passing a loving wife, two sons, two daughters, and a host of relatives and friends. We are praying that our earthly loss is God's gain.

Buril Statin, President.
Mittie Nelson, Secretary.

## MACON

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 394 is doing fine. We, the members of lodge No. 394 are asking for the September Board. It would mean a great help to our community and the Order as well.

Eddie Robinson, President.

## IMPORTANT

Dear Presidents: Some time ago we asked you through the Echo to send the names of your local lodges in order that the names of your local lodges might appear on your local charter that is to be sent you from the office. 90 per cent of you haven't responded.

Therefore, we are going to be compelled to send you your charter with the name of your lodge left off. We will give the Number of your lodge on the charter, but the name of your lodge will be left off because you failed to send it in. Please notify your members that you are to blame.

## NOTICE

All presidents and members communicating with the General Secretary through mail will please send all mail to 809-W. Chestnut Street Louisville, Kentucky. In care of C. M. E. Gen'l. Conference after May 3rd. Please send all mail to Louisville, if it is sent to Meridian it will have to be forwarded to me which may cause a delay in replies to you. Send mail to Rev. R. L. Young, 809-W. Chestnut Street Louisville, Kentucky in care of C. M. E. Gen'l. Conference.

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# Why I Am a Church Member

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Because I am a Religious Being. A man is incurably religious. I find in the church that which helps to satisfy my natural instinct for worship. It is there I hear the teachings of the incomparable Man of Galilee—the Christ. The church ministers to my spiritual needs. Therefore, it is as natural for me to go to church as it is for a horse to seek a green pasture.

Because I Believe in the Church. I'll grant that the church is not necessarily infallible; not necessarily an organization perfect in its constitution and free from foibles in its administration, because it is made up of imperfect human beings. But I also remember that the church was established by Christ, and I know that Christianity would never have been propagated had it not been for the church. Then, too, I have seen dishonest men made honest; drunkards reformed; men grossly immoral-almost ferocious in their life and conduct changed and made as gentle and refined as a woman, through the influence of the church. Through the church has come, generally speaking, our religious, educational, philanthropic and eleemosynary institutions. I want to encourage and help support an organization that has such a high and holy mission.

Because I Would Not Live in a Community Where There Were No Churches. Where is the man who, would be willing to invest his money establish his home, and rear children in a community where there were no churches? Shall I live under the shadow of the church, profit by its beneficient work, without feeling a sense of personal obligation for its support? No! Therefore I have a conviction that I ought to attend and help support an institution that is so indispensable to the community in which I live.

Because of My Influence. I believe the most valuable institution on earth especially to the children, is the church and Sunday school. I have a feeling that I can exert a far greater influence by being a member and attending church than by proclaiming its virtures from the housetop. In other words, an ounce of example is worth a pound of preaching.

Because the Church Steadied Me During the Days of My Young Manhood. During the critical period of life, when my feet stood in "slippery places" the church was a tower of strength to me. In fact, for thirty-odd years it has brought strength in time of weakness, hope during the hour of discourgagement, consolation in the day of trial, inspiration when I felt like quiting. Yes, I need the church.

Because I Shall Not Live Always. I shall soon start down the western slope of life. I shall not live always, and when the sun sets and the shadows begin to gather, I shall want a minister with me, and I expect the church to bury me. I cannot get my consent to neglect or ignore the church during the morning time of life, and then when the sun sets behind the western hills and night comes, to call on her for help. Believeing as I do--and I grant to every man the right to think for himself—I must support, with my presence, influence, and money, the church. To do less would mean that I am not an honest--to--goodness man, but a base ingrate.

"I love Thy kingdom, Lord,
The house of Thine abode;
The church our blest Redeemer saved
With His own precious blood."

"For her my tears shall fall,
For her my prayer ascend;
To her my cares and toils be given
Till toils and cares shall end."

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It is absolutely necessary that I, as General President, authorize Agents to inspect local lodges. The State of Mississippi has authorized Agents to examine our office and records and we must have agents to look after the general well fare of this Order.

I hereby respectfully request that these Agents be given the proper consideration at any local lodge visited.

E. F. Young, General Pres.

## MACON, MISS.

Dear Editor: This comes to say that we the members of lodge No. 298 have lost one of our faithful H. B. A. members in the person of Bro. Edd Holbrooks. Brother Holbrooks died March 31, 1930 his passing was a shock to this community. He was loyal to his lodge and church, the task was never too hard for him. We hope that our lost is heaven's gain.

Ida Williams, Vice President.

## SWEET PAPA SNOWBALL COMING—LINCOLN'S MIGHTY MINSTRELS

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## NOTICE

Dear Presidents: Please do not forget the date of the boards. Please do your best to make round reports. We want the June Board to be the best in the History of the association.

The presidents and members from various lodges state that the rally suggested by the General Secretary for the local lodges is red hot. Picnics and box suppers are being given to swell the treasure. Go to it boys don't let that Fred Young group beat that Roy Young group. We want all presidents to have their reports in the office not later than May 10th in order that we may publish the results through the Echo.


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### SUMMERLAND

It was our good pleasure to deliver the Baccalaureate Sermon for Prof. L. T. Ellis of Jones County Training School at Summerland, Miss. Sunday April 27th. I have preached quite a few Baccalaureate sermons at schools and Colleges, but this was the most enjoyable trip that I have ever witnessed. Prof. Ellis is doing some real constructive work in that community. We were proud to meet our friend Brother Knight and two or three of the ministers of that particular community. We had a full house to preach too, and they said the sermon was O. K. Misses Mattie Larkin and Gertrude Harper accompanied us on the trip. We had dinner at the palatial home of Prof. and Mrs. Ellis. We were proud to meet Mrs. Jones and Miss Fitzjeroal, who are instructors in the school.

It was our good pleasure to view the plant of Prof. J. E. Johnson of Laurel on our return. Johnson, has a wonderful school out lay at Laurel. He is one of our best known and most noble men of the State.

### PRESIDENTS

This is to certify that Agents J. E. Durr and R. W. Young are state Agents or representatives. Said Agents are authorized to visit any local lodges within the Association. Examine their books and records at any time and report the findings to the office.

We have quite a few presidents, who, because of ignorance on their part, or unintentionall errors, are not conducting their lodge properly.

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### MONT ROSE, MISS.

Please allow me space in the Echo to let the H. B. A. s know what we are doing. Lodge No. 285 is doing nicely. On our last meeting we had Brother R. W. Young with us We were very proud to have him. He mentioned many good things which we all like to hear. Mr. Young found every thing moving along nicely, and after he had his say we all felt like working as never before. He also took in three members. I think we will have about eight to come to our lodge in our next meeting night. I am doing all in my power to make lodge No. 285 one of the best lodges in the association.

H. A. Morgan, President.

### NEW HEBRON, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please give me space in the Echo to make a short statement. We the members of lodge No. 261 are doing nicely. We are increasing our membership each meeting night, and we are asking the prayers of every member of the lodge, for at present we are in a needy condition. We had a great accident a few days ago, we lost our church by fire. Though it was only a rural chuuch valued at about $2500.00 and as times are very hard we ask each and every president to impress and assist upon each and every member to donate and help us, in rebuilding our church. If no more than 5c per member we will be very thankful. Please don't pass this article un-noticed we hope that all will feel our care, for we are holding our meetings under the shades of trees.

Lucy V. Walker, Secretary.

### NOTICE TO PRESIDENTS

According to our records we have quite a few presidents who have purchased H. B. A. records and as yet have not paid for them. We will appreciate very very much if the presidents who have ordered records would settle the balance due. Times are a bit hard now and we need the money to run the business. Those of you who have not settled please do so at once. You will relieve us of great embarassment.

R. L. Y.

### DEATH

Mr. Willie Mhoon, one of the colored druggists of this city died Sunday morning. It nas been reported that it was thought that Mr. Mhoon took poisin and killed himself, we do not confirm the report as being true. Mr. Mhoon was the son in-law of the late J. W. Harris of this city and the son of Lawyer Mhoon of Jackson, Miss. Mr. Mhoon was a member of St. Paul Methodist church. He leaves a wife and two small children in Meridian.

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### MACON

Dear Secretary: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know, that lodge No. 305 is small in numoer, but we are still alive and trying to do H. B. A. work. All the members, were glad to accept the plan mentioned to us through the Echo relative to the Rally, and they have gone to work and organized a nice club.

We gave a little entertainment on last Friday night and realized a nice little sum. We received three new applicants since the the last Board, and are expecting three more in our next meeting night. We ask all to pray that our lodge may grow stronger in membership.

Yours for the work,
D. L. Harlan, President.

### SHUQUALAK

Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that we are doing all we can far a better H. B. A. Pray that we might continue to grow our membership.

Alex Paylor, President.

### STATE LINE.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 301 has lost a faithful member in the person of Mr. Oliver Beard. Brother Beard departed this life March 3rd. The death angles came and summoned Brother Beard to his celestial home early in the morning. He leaves to mourn his passing a loving wife, one boy, one girl, one sister and a host of relatives and friends.

Brother Beard was a faithful member in his lodge. He was loyal to his church and community. Well thought of by the colored and white people. We are praying that our lost is heaven's gain.

Mrs. Minnie McCann, Reporter.

Dear Editor: This comes to inform the readers of the Echo that Sister Maggie Brown, wife of Mr. John Brown of Bucatunna, Miss., departed this life April 11th. Her funeral was attended by her pastor, Rev. M. J. Barlow in the Philadelphia Baptist Church, of which she was a member for thirty six years. She leaves to mourn her passing one son, eight daughters, a loving husband, two brothers and two sisters.

Her remains were laid to rest in Old Powe cemetary with H. B. A. honors. Acting Paul Bearers: Lee McCann, Normal McCann, Norah Hardy, Will Johnson, Jim White, Charles McCann.

Honorary Paul Bearers: Redrick Davel, Pett McCann, Hany Gandy J. D. Loper.

Rev. M. J. Barlow, Reporter.

### TAYLORVILLE

Dear Editor: This is to let the many readers know that lodge No. 304 is few in membership, but we are working together hand in hand. Our clubs are doing nicely. We have formed three clubs with the following leaders: L. R. Barnes leader of the R. L. Young club, A. D. Posey leaders of the Fred Young club, Theodore Ederson and Carlee Owens, leaders of the Get-Up club. We are planning to make this rally a success.

Ulden Barnes, President.

### NEW AUGUSTA

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 245 is trying to come along in the track of those, who have gone on. Lodge No. 245 is alive. Everybody is working and planning to do great things as soon as the weather is favorable. We have one member on the sick list in the person of Brother S. T. Davis. We wish for him a speedy recovery.

Joe Sellers, Reporter.

### TUNICA

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the columns of the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 391 has formed two clubs, the Fred Young club and the Roy Young club. Our clubs are working to win the prize that has been offered by our treasure. We are climbing for the hill top.

Mary Rolan, Reporter.

### LAKE

Dear Editor: Allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that we have lost a faithful member in the person of Brother Ike Gray. Brother Gray was called to his home on high April 14th. He had only been sick about seven days. We are trusting that our lost is heaven's gain.

George Walker, President.

### LAMBERT

Dear Editor: This comes to let the many readers know what we are doing. Lodge No. 387 lost one of its members. We are trusting that our lost on earth is heaven's gain on high.

We are praying that the Lord might give us ten more agents like agent A. M. Walker. Agent A. M. Walker and president J. M. Martin are on their job. They are never asleep in the work.

We are looking for the June Board to convene here. Look out local presidents, lodge No. 387 is on the line.

Shelby Humbly, President
Mrs. Mary Jackson, Reporter.

### LAUREL

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the columns of the Echo to say a few words to the many readers of this wonderful little paper in regards of our lodge. We the members of H. B. A. No. 392 are getting along nicely, and we all are working in peace and harmony with one another. We have just issued two certificates to new members of our lodge and have two application blanks for two more. Pray that our lodge will grow greater.

Jefferson L. Harkless, Reporter.

### BROOKSVILLE

Dear Rev. Young: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 185 has los a member, in the person of Brother Henry Jackson. Brother Jackson was called to his celestial home on April 17th. He died in full triumph of faith. He was steward of Wesley Chapel Church of Brooksville for many years. Brother Jackson was a great church worker and a lover of the H. B. A. He was loved by all who knew him. He leaves to mourn his loss a loving wife, one daughter, three brother and a host of friends.

We are praying that our lost is heaven's gain.

W. T. Tate, President.

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## WAY-SIDE MEDICINE

(By Dr. L. F. Brooks)

Clothes to serve their purpose in human economy and in the preservation of health must be worn in the rightful proportion and way, and as a matter to emphasize an essential but much abused fact, if we would realize the beneficient effect of clothes, we must wear them. Merely because we have lungs does not imply that the body will receive its supply of fresh air, because a pair bellows hung upon the wall does not denote that we are going to have a fire. It is only in a measure that we use our lungs, that we put the bellows into action. Can we hope to enjoy the fruits from their activity. Utility is the law of the universe, a truth exceedingly difficult for many of us to clearly understand.

Here in late years there is too much bungling on the part of some in this program of cloth wearing. Modesty, comfort and protection have been kicked to the wind with only brevity of style left as a monument in the place where common sence once stood. True enough, the human body can be trained to undergo hardship from the cold. Even minus the protection of clothes but that training must bare its beginning at a very early period in life during infancy so that step by step the body may have the opportunity to slowly harden itself. But this style of nakedness coming as it did over night and even in the winter years of some of these scantily dressed creatures we see now a days is dangerous. Grandmother once stood out as a beacon light, the embodiment, the essence, the personification of conservativeness, but to-day, way down the line you find her at the head of the rock and van of poor, dumb, now resisting style being worn.

In the mixture of styles extreme styles put into practice health becomes the victim. Health is sacrificed upon the alter of good looks while a deaf ear is turned in the direction of comfort. The evil consequences of such bold disregard not only cast a blighting influence over the health of the present generation filling the graves with consumption and the streets with semi invalids but unborn generations must likewise suffer, having received their birth from van run down worn out parents which in turn greatly handicap these children in the race of life. To be in style is very desirable, but the trouble upon life's highway would do well to seriously mix style with common sense.

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## LAUREL

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the columns of the Echo to say a few words concerning lodge No. 422. Our lodge is doing nicely. We initiate from five to ten candidates each meeting night. We have eight candidates for our next meeting night.

I have sent $45.00 to the office for certificates since the March Board. On last meeting night we had the State Representative in the person of Mr. J. E. Durr with us. We had a nice time. We are always glad to have Agent Durr with us. Lodge No. 422 in going to the top.

Yours for the order,
R. V. Pope, President.

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## VANCE

Dear Rev. Young: In reply to your request I am sorrow that I was pushed for time and could not do any better on collecting the little donation for you on your suit, however, I am sending you $1.00

Since I was at the Board I have added five members to my lodge. A. M. Walker and I have organized a new lodge here in Vance. The H. B. A. is spreading in this section right sharply. The people have been convinced that there is nothing to excell the Holbrook Benevolent Association.

Ben Phillips, Agt.

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## NEW HEBRON

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to say that lodge No. 342 is doing nicely. We are few in membership, but we are trying to press forward. We are doing our bit to make it lively. We pray that our lodge might continue to grow in finance and membership.

A. G. Garner, President

## MERIDIAN

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the columns of the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 19 is doing nicely. The Death angle came and summoned one of our members, in the person of Brother W. M. Duks. He was a faithful member in the lodge and in his church. He was loved by all who knew him, both colored and white. He was a good citizen. We will miss our dear friend. we are praying that our earthly lost is heaven's gain.

Brother Duks leaves to mourn his passing a loving wife, four sons, one sister, seven grand children, five great grand children and a host of relatives and friends.

Mr. D. B. Borders, President.
Miss L. V. Davis, Reporter.

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## DEERBROOK

Dear Editor: We are informing you and the many readers, that we have begun our work. By the instruction you gave us in the March Board we have organized two clubs with Rachel Moore leader of the Roy Young club and Lula Turner leader of the Fred Young club. We had a lovely time on Easter Sunday. We are working to have a big time with our clubs. Pray that our membership might continue to grow.

Isaac Moore, President.

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Dear Editor: This is to certify that lodge No. 185 has lost one of our faithful member, in the person of Brother Ben Graham. He was called from labor to reward in full triumph of faith. Was a faithful member of Belwin M. E. Church. He leaves to mourn his passing a loving wife, two daughters and a host of relatives and friends.

Brother Graham was loved by all who knew him. Our community has lost a good citizen and our lodge has lost a faithful member. We hope our lost is heaven's gain.

W. T. Tate, Local president.

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# What our Ministry Need

(Selected)

No one, is unaffected by tne Spirit of his age. It is not surprising therefore, that at a time like this, when religious earnestness seems to have drifted from the mass and rested itself upon the shoulders of a few men that have been set aside for the purpose of keeping alive the Spirit of the Christ, that all eyes are focused on these solo supporters of a once mass religion among the Negro people.

The first thing necessary is for the public to know that the ministry is a profession, that requires as much training as any other profession. The Master's words sustain this statement "come and tarry around Jerusalem." He prepared his Disciples for the work of saving the world; he did not rest solely upon calling them, but he taught them what to say and, how to live. Yet we who live in an age far in advance to the age of the Apostles only need to receive the call and, proceed to find the lost sheep.

The ministry needs more schools of religion or perhaps, better equipped seminaries. The minister has always been the leader of his community, he always will be "because it pleased God to save the world through the foolishness of preaching." I am persuaded to believe that the community is taking religion too lightly. It educates the pew and tolerates the pulpit's ignorance; then wonders why the ministry fails to interest its youth. Let us, if you please come to honest reason. Why would you expect God not to require an intelligent pulpit when in all ages as history reveals itself, God has used the best prepared men of their day, to carry his word and serve his purposes Moses, learned in the Courts of Pharoah; Isaah a statesman and a scholar; Daniel, an advisor to the King; Peter James and John etc. students of Jesus and Paul a student of Gamaliel.

Paul, the greatest after Christ in his advice to Timothy says: "Study to show thyself approved unto God a workman that needeth not be (afraid) ashamed, rightly dividing the words of truth. The ministry needs preparation; with all respect to those men, have not had the opportunity of sitting under instructors versed in the Scriptures, I sincerely believe they have served their purpose; I am most assured that God enlisted their service, (for ignorance) I believe he used the best that day could afford.

But the night of ignorance is passed, and we are approaching the Dawn of a New Day, when even the Ministry must be enlightened. The Minister must be able to give the world something to think of. The Ministry must be able to prove to the world that God is a perfect being therefore his representatives must be as near the mark as any other follows of any other given profession.

To be capable of holding its rightful place in the world the minister must be trained. He must be a student of the letter. He must be able to talk of his age. He can only acquire this by entering some school of religion or seminary and tarry until he gets the letter and spirit.

The great move of religious excitement produced by the preaching of John the Baptist, Foulgue de Nouilly tne famous monkish preacher of the thirteenth century whose discourse moved all classes of society, from the highest to the lowest, so that people rush in crowds from distant countries to hear him, or Whitfield in the last hundred odd years, who stirred the whole nation in his day was not blown up by unprepared men, but men who first became masters of their profession. When they gave themselves over to study, their passions, their lusts, were turned into the channels of purity.

Jesus started his ministry after thirty years of seclusion. I will not say he was studying but meditating; he came from Nazareth fully capable for his great task. He came to a center of business and travel to live amidst men, he was able to talk with priests, princes and governors from Jerusalem to Rome. "See a man diligent in his work he shall stand before kings." The adage can safely be placed in another form. "See a minister prepared in his field he shall stand before the world and proclaim the real truth of God and no man, regardless of how vile, shall lift up his hand against him.

We have discussed the need, where are we expecting to receive the need? The need of better equiped seminaries is pronounced who are to furnish them? My answer is the people.

The populace makes suggestions, the populace sneers, and talks about what the church needs but raise not one finger towards demanding and acquiring a stronger and a better ministry, like Egypt that gave all to build the Pyramids and not one penny for its youth; or Greece that gave all to art and culture and let Demossthenes die unlaureled; or Rome that taxed the world to build up roads for travel but allow its youth to be cast into combat with wild beasts.

The Sphinx lives to tell the tale of the mother of civilization, the half shattered Parthenon raises itself to tell the ruin of Greece; while the fast decaying are Colloseum mourns the death of Rome.

The Egyptians are little more than slaves to England, the little Greek boys dash here and there with head bowed under the color of another flag; the Roman of yesterday is known now as the Dago of Broadway they are fast fading away.

The church is the greatest inheritance the Negro has--shall he lose it because of a non-prepared ministry? Shall his church, like his civilization be eaten up by the onslaught of the Nordic race? Shall his fate be the same as the North American Indian The Negro church is the only thing supported, owned and established by the whole race. Shall it pass away unsung, unkept and unlaureled because of a nonprepared ministry. I am reminded of an old man coming at the end of his life's journey filled with sadness because he thought he was the last of his line, but before crossing over the stream he heard the faint muffle of slowly beaten drums and looking behind he saw men clad in uniforms old and as bent as he; they carried a banner like this "we were brave." They passed on and then came the footsteps of youths walking briskly along with a banner with these words, "we are brave," but the old man was not yet satisfied until around the corner he saw a band of children happily todding along and on their banner was written "we shall be brave." Dear readers our fathers who broke the ice in the Christian ministry were truly brave to have such an adventure. The men who are now holding thie great machinery together are brave. But the youth who is giving his all, who is sacrificing everything and entering these small missions bears a banner with a strange device „Excelsior"

## WAYNESBORO

Dear Rev. Young: Please allow me space the Echo to let the many H. B. A. s know that lodge No. 402 is progressing nicely. We have twenty three members and a nice little sum of $10.50 in treasure. We don't owe a penny for anything. The Fred Young group gave a box supper and realized a nice little sum of $5.50. We have on a picnic for the third Saturday. Pray that our lodge might continue to prosper.

Geneva Dawkins, Secretary.

DESOTA

Dear Editor: This is to inform you and the readers of the Echo that sister Indianna Stokes joined our lodge in the setting up and has been a faithful member. Sister Stokes departed this life May 3rd 1930. We hope that our lost is heaven's gain.

C. J. Pickett, President.

THE SECRET OF a HAPPY LIFE

We occasionally meet a woman whose old age is as beautiful as the bloom of youth. We wonder how it has come about--what her secret is. Here are a few of the reasons. She knew how to forget disagreeable things. She kept her nerves well in hand, and inflicted them on no one. She mastered the art of saying pleasant things She did not expect too much from her friends. She made whatever work came to her congenial She retained her illusions, and did not believe all the world wicked and unkind. She relieved the miserable and sympathized with the sorrowful. She never forgot that kind words and a smile cost nothing, but are priceless treasures to the discouraged She did unto others as she would be done by, and now that old age has come to her and there is a halo of white hair about her head, she loved and considered. This is the secret of a long life and a happy one.

WAYNESBORO

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the readers know that we have lost one of our faithful members in the person of Brother Freddie Chatman. Brother Chatman parted this life April 19, 1930. He leaves to mourn his lost a loving wife, six sisters, two brothers and a host of relatives. Rev. J. M. Moore, the president attended the funeral at Waynesboro, Miss.

James Lodge No. 119.

PICAYUNE, MISS.

Dear Editor: Allow me space in the columns of the Echo to let the many readers know that No. 307 is doing nicely. We witnessed a wonderful meeting on our last meeting night which was May 3rd.

We made three members, and received one application for membership to our lodge. We are getting the people to join our lodge without any trouble. We had a rally a few days ago for the benefit of the local lodge treasure, and we are glad to say we realized $15.30 to put in our treasure. Everybody is working in harmony with one another.

Pray that our lodge might continue to grow in membership.

Rev. T. J. Newkirk, President.

Dear Editor: This comes to inform the many readers and friends that Mr. Luther Smith, member of H. B. A. No. 1, who has been sick for quite a while is able to be up. We wish for him a speedy recovery.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the readers know that Mrs. R. L. Young, who has been quite ill at her home is now somewhat improved.

Mr. E. M. Hill's home on 28th Ave. and 15th Street was damaged by fire a few nights ago. It has been reported that practically everyting was saved.

Miss Naomi Crawford H. B. A. member of lodge No. 253 is very ill at her home. We wish for Miss Crawford a speedy recovery.

SHUQUALAK

Dear Editor: Please give me space in the columns of the Echo to inform the readers and friends of the Echo that lodge No. 93 is doing nicely. We are all working for the interest of the lodge. All members are working in harmony with one another.

Our lodge has been successful in the Rally that was suggested to us through the columns of the Echo by you.

We are proud to say that the following amounts were reported by the following clubs:

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| No. 1 | Willing Workers | $12.00 |
| No. 12 | R. L. Young Club | 12.00 |
| No. 3 | Fred Young Club | 12.00 |
| No. 4 | Good Will Workers | 12.05 |
| No. 5 | The Booster Club | 12.00 |
| Total Amount | | $60.05 |

W. L. Gillespie, President.

HATTIESBURG

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that No. 270 has lost a faithful member, in the person of Deacon E. D. Gains, who was a member of Antioch M. B. church, and a member of Antioch lodge No. 270. Brother Gains was only ill eight days. His death was a shock to the community in which he lived.

He was loved by all who knew him. A faithful member of the church and a loyal member of his lodge. We will miss our dear brother, yet we surrender all to Him, who knows best and say let Thy will be done. "Sleep on, rest on, gone, but not forgotten"

A. J. Barnett, President.

NOTICE TO PRESIDENTS AND MEMBERS

Dear Presidents: If in the event you have received any letters that you mailed to Rev. R. L. Young, Box 1043, Meridian, Miss. and said letters have been returned to you stating unclaimed, please forward said letters back to Box 1043, Meridian, Miss.

Some of you no doubt read an article in the last issue of the Echo relative to sending all mail to Rev. R. L. Young, in care of the C. M. E. General Conference, Louisville, Kentucky, however, quite a few of the presidents and members failed to do so. The office sent all mail to Rev. R. L. Young, Louisville, Kentucky but for some cause quite a few of the letters have been returned, those sent from Box 1043, Meridion, Miss.

I want to kindly ask that you please forward all mail back to Box 1043 in order to avoid the delay in getting replies from your letters.

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### NOTICE

Quite a few of the local presidents are sending in the name of their local lodge to the office to go on their charter. Please send your name in order that we might fill out your charter properly. We only want the name of the local lodge and the number.

Secretary.

### KOSCIUSKO, MISS.

Dear Rev. Young: You will find herewith a check to the amount of $28.00 for fourteen certificates for a lodge I organized at Walnut Grove, Miss., with Mr. Tom Foster as local president.

I wish to state that I am putting the program of the Holbrook Benevolent Association over in this section.

Rev. O. T. Woods, Agent.

### DUBLIN

Dear Editor: Please give me space in the Echo to say that we, the members of lodge No. 421, are doing fine. We are doing nicely on our drive. Agent A. M. Walker has opened our eyes relative to the H. B. A. and the good work it has done and is doing.

We are proud to say that our lodge is doing nicely. There have been a goodly number of other societies operated in this section of the country, but none of them will come up to the standard of the Holbrook Benevolent Association. I have found out that the church and the H. B. A. are the only true orders I know of and the only ones I care to be in. We are planning to make a round report in the June Board at Lambert, Miss.

Mary Johnson, Reporter.
Albert Ballard, President.

### WAYNESBORO

Dear Rev. Young: This comes to say that we accepted the plan of the Rally that was suggested through the columns of the Echo sometime ago. We have two volunteer groups. One of the groups is known as the Hustling group and said group is sponsored by Sister Lillian Harman for the Fred Young group.

The other group is known as the Busy Bee club with Sister Vandella Mayfield as leader for the Roy Young group. We will let you hear from us later

C. M. Mayfield, President.

### RICHTON

Dear Editor: Allow me space in the columns of the Echo to let the many readers, friends and members know that lodge No. 66 has lost a faithful member, in the person of Brother Birton. Brother Birton departed this life April the 17th in full triumph. He leaves to mourn his passing a loving sister, one son and a host of relatives and friends.

Brother Birton was a good christian gentleman and a loyal member to his lodge. We are praying that our lost is heaven's gain.

R. B. Scroggins, President.

### LOVE YOUR ENEMIES

Love your enemies. They may be worth more to you than your friends. Your enemies may attempt to hurt you, but you can compel them to help you. By their criticisms they may seek to wound you, but you can profit by their bitter words and increase your humility. Your friends may fear to tell you the truth about your weaknesses lest they lose your friendship through frankness, but your enemy has no such fears. He will never stupefy you with flattery nor lull you into complacency with false praise. Therefore, love your enemies.

### ENONDALE

Dear Editor: This comes to let you and the readers know that Brother Bob Boyd was called from labor to reward April 28, 1930.

He was a faithful member and a willing worker. We are praying that our lost will be heaven's gain.

John Gulley, President.

### VOSSBURG

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the columns of the Echo to let the readers know that No. 153 has lost a faithful member in the person of Sister Indiana Stokes. Sister Stokes departed this life May 3rd, 1930 in full triumph of faith.

She was a good christian and a faithful member. We had with us Rev. C. L. Pringle, who spoke some very encouraging words. She leaves to mourn her passing three brothers, two daughters and a host of relatives and friends.

C. J. Pickett, President.

### PRESIDENT E. C. COLE PASSES

Mr. E. C. Cole, local president of H. B. A. No. 50 died May 8th. He was a faithful and a willing worker.

He died in full triumph of faith. He leaves five children, three sisters, one brother and a host of relatives and friends to mourn his passing. Brother Cole will be missing in his lodge. There is no one to fill his vacant seat.

Reporter.

### NOTICE

This is to certify that lodge No. 396 Jack Baggett, local president, located at Kiln, Miss. reported $24.15 for the March Board.

General Secretary.

### NOTICE

To all persons meeting the H. B. A. Board at Laurel, Miss. on June 6th. The H. B. A. Board will convene in Providence Church on Meridian Ave. one block to the left of the brick yard.

E. D. Daniels, President.

### MACON

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 394 is doing nicely. We are asking for the September Board. We want the members and friends to know that the Board would do us some good by convening in our community.

Eddie Roberson, President.

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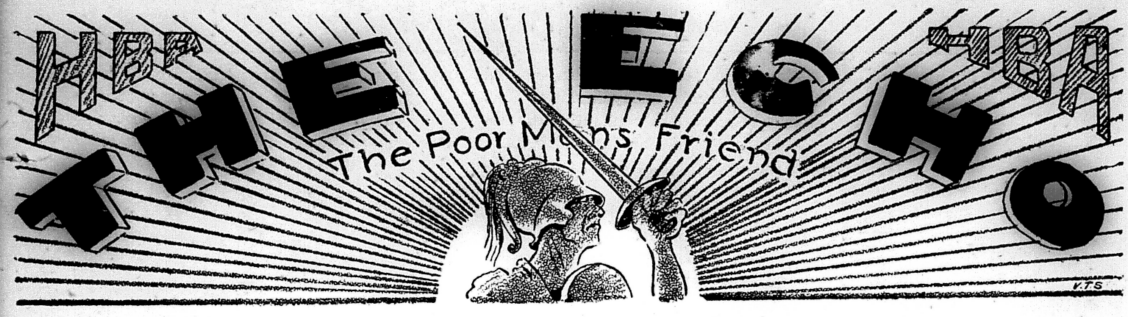


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### BROOKHAVEN

Dear Editor: Give me space in the columns of the Echo to say that lodge No. 362 is doing nicely. We are proud to state that our rally was as follows: Sister Eddie Smith as the Roy Young group$5 00; Brother Spurgo McBee as the Fred Young group, $4.00. We wish to thank the members for a total of $9.00

MOSES WALKER, President

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### WIGGINS

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many reades know that lodge No. 174 is doing nicely. In our rally, we raised a nice little sum for the treasury of our lodge. The Fred Young group raised $5.00; The Roy Young group raised $6.00. Total amount raised, $11.00.

We are asking the prayers of the Association.

VIOLA BRELAND, Reporter

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### TUTWILER

Dear Editor: This comes to let the many readers know that lodge No. 421 is doing nicely. Since we were organized on February 6, 1930, we have taken in seventeen applications for membership to our lodge. One of the members has moved away, but we are proud to say that the other sixteen are with us. At present, we have two applications on file for membership.

On our last meeting night, we were honored with the privilege of having Agent A. M. Walker with us. Bro. Walker spared no pains in instructing the members how to do real H. B. A. work. Bro. Walker has the H. B. A. at heart. He is ready to come to lodge No. 421 at any time and lend a helping hand in any way possible.

We are praying that God will bless Brother Walker for we feel that he is doing a work that is pleasing in the sight of Him who knows all things. May he live long.

We were also blessed with having two ministers of the gospel in the person. of Revs. E. D. Ballard and W. M Murreal. We are proud to say that we have had only one sick member since being organized, and we are glad to say that we were able to pay that bill. Dear readers and co-workers, we are proud to say that we, the members of lodge No. 421 are alive and doing H. B. A. work. Our members are all working in love, peace and harmony with one another. We are asking for the prayers of all concerned.

A. B. BALLARD, President.

### WHAT THE AGENTS ARE DOING

Agent J. E. Durr is still sending in applications for new lodges organized and for members added to lodges that are already organized. Agent Durr is doing splendid H. B. A. agency work.

Agent O. T. Woods has organized two new lodges at Carthage, Miss., and Walnut Grove, Miss. We wish to commend Agent Woods for the splendid efforts he is putting forth to establish H. B. A. Lodges in his section.

Agent A. M. Walker has everything his way up in the delta. Wherever he organizes a local H. B. A. lodge, the members seem to fall in love with him, because of the business way in which he puts the program of the H. B. A. over.

Agent Been Phillips is also doing wonderful H. B. A. work in his section. He and Agent Walker have organized a local lodge in Vance, Miss., with Mr. Jerry Shaw as local president.

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### PAULETT

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the columns of the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 383 has lost a faithful member and its local president, in the person of Prof. W. A. Lovelace He died May 15, 1930. A member of Belmont Baptist Church for (37) thirty-seven years. At the time of his death, he was principal of the Belmont Public School, Superintendent of the Sunday School, Secretary of Belmont Church, President of H. B. A. Lodge No. 383, Secretary of the Burial Society and Vice-President of the County fair.

Prof Lovelace was the son of Adam and Sarah Lovelace. He leaves to mourn his passing, a loving wife, four sons, two brothers, one sister and a host of relatives and friends.

REV. AMES GRIGGS, Reporter

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### LOCAL PRESIDENT PASSES

The sad news has reached the office that President Will A. Lovelace of Paulett, Miss., died a few days ago. We regret to learn of Prof. Lovelace's death. We wish to extend to his bereaved family our heart felt sympathy.

Reporter.

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### HATTIESBURG

Dear Editor: Please allow me space to say that lodge No. 205 is getting along nicely. Our clubs are at work. We had a Box Supper last Friday Night and we realized a nice sum for our treasury. We want all true H. B. A.'s to pray for our success.

BEN GREEN, President.

### SHUBUTA

Dear Editor: Please give me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that Sweet Pilgrim Lodge No. 249 is still alive. I wish to state that Mr. Charlie Carter, leader of the E. F. Young group raised $6.00; Mr. Julius Heidelberg, leader of the Roy Young group, raised $6.50.

We are looking forward to the June Board which will convene here on June 11th. The old roosters are crowing and the goats are taking a part in with them telling you all to come on for you are welcome, welcome!

MRS. E. HEIDELBERG, Pres.
MRS. B. L. HEIDELBERG, Sec'y

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### STATE LINE

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the columns of the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 301 is getting along fine. Our membership is still increasing. We have six applications on file for membership.

We are getting ready to royally entertain the H. B. A. Board which is to convene in State Line on June 9th. The Board will be held in Mt. Olive Church, five miles Southwest of State Line. Good roads all the way.

JAMES WALLEY, President.

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### MAGEE

Dear Editor: This comes to let the readers know that lodge No. 313 has been We had two clubs working in our rally, doing fine. We have had our little rally. Club No. 1 known as the Hustling Club with Chellie Williams as captain, and Crub No. 2 known as the Roy Young Club with I. N. Pittman as captain. The Hustling Club raised $6.11 and the Roy Young Club raised $4.00. Total, $10.11.

W. M. KING, President

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### LAUDERDALE

Dear Editor: This comes to let you and the readers of this little paper know that our lodge, No. 31, is doing nicely and still moving on the H. B. A. line. We are doing splendid work in our lodge and are working hard to swell our home treasury. We raised $12.00 to go to our treasury. Our membership is small, but we are trying to do real H. B. A. work. All of our members are working in peace, love and harmony.

Yours for the Order,
MRS. V. T. THORNTON, President

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### NOTICE!

If you fail to get your Echo, please notify the office and we will gladly mail the one you failed to get.

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### BUCATUNNA

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the members of the H. B. A. know that Rising Star Lodge No. 214 is doing nicely. We are increasing our membership. We have just received an application blank for membership to our lodge, and we have one renewal on file for our next meeting night.

Dear members and friends of the H. B. A. I want to say that we are few in membership, but we are expecting to grow big and bigger. We are abiding by the laws of the Constitution and by doing so, we are not taking in anybody to grow our membership. We have only ten members in our lodge and a nice little sum of $17.35 in our home treasury. We are proud to say we owe no man. We accepted the plan that was offered through the columns of the Echo. We had two groups working, the Willing Working group. Said club gave a little rally on the First Sunday in April and raised $5.35. We have one member on the sick list in the person of Sister C. C. Jordan. We wish for Sister Jordan a speedy recovery.

We are proud to boast of the fact that the Lord has been good to us. We have not lost a member by death.

ADDIE STORY, Secretary

### CRANDALL

Dear Editor: Please give me space in the Echo to say a few words in behalf of Mr. David McLendon beginning his ministerial career here May 18th. Mr. McLendon preached a wonderful sermon for Rev. Phillips at Mt. Nebon A. M. E. Church. Everybody present seemed to have been amazed over the wonderful address delivered by Mr. McLendon We are proud to see our young men go forward in life and make us feel proud of them. David is a young man, born and reared here. He was separated from his mother when he was four or five years of age. To-day, we are proud of our own David. His deportment is that of a high type. The Church would make no mistake in spending money on such a young man to put him through. He lost his father last year. We are all expecting great things out of David.

BOOSTER.

### MT. OLIVE

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 263 is doing fine. We had a rally the Third Sunday in May. Rev. Wheeler preached a soul stirring sermon. We raised a nice little sum of $13.00 and took in ten applications for membership to our lodge.

B. J. TATUM, President.

### IMPORTANT NOTICE

In a previous issue of the Echo, we published thirty-five deaths to be paid off in the next Board. We have more deaths on hand and we are not able to tell at present just how many we will pay. We are confident, however, that we will pay at least forty in these Boards. There are some persons whose names wil not be published through the Echo, who will be paid off in the June Board. We are doing our best to pay as many claimants as possible. We have had so many members to die for the last nine months that it seems impossible to catch up. Please remember that it is our intention to pay an average of $220.00. And a $1.40 assessment will pay more than thirty-five persons $220.00. Since we do not know exactly how well the presidents will collect and report in the Board, we can not say just here, how many claimants we will pay. We are cutting down on our notes in June in order to catch up with our deaths. There will be a few left over, therefore we do not want everybody who has deceased relatives to come expecting to be paid off. We will take you as your term comes.

It will be absolutely necessary for us to issue a 90c assessment for the Convention in order that we may catch up with some outstanding accounts owed by the Association. In the Convention in 1929, we had to issue a 90c assessment and we are going to have to do the same thing this year. We are closing the Boards as early in June as we possibly can, thereby giving the presidents and members time to get ready for the Convention with a 90c collection.

Friends, there will be no way around this assessment. At the Convention, we are going to be compelled to make this assessment in order to satisfy our creditors. Begin notifying your members now for the 90c assessment in July.

SECRETARY.

### PORTERVILLE

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the columns of the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 96 is doing nicely. We took in three members since the last Board. We pay all doctor and medicine bills. We are planning to have a big time here on the third of June.

F. L. KEY, President.


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## THANKS TO H. B. A. PRESIDENTS AND MEMBERS

Dear Friends: I take this opportunity to thank those of you who responded to my request relative to a suit of clothes. Quite a few of the presidents collected 1c at my request from their members, some collected more, and some did not respond whatever. I wish to assure all concerned that I appreciate whatever was done. Those of you who did not contribute anything, I wish to thank you. It was not compulsory but was only a request and each and everyone was to act on his own free will.

At present, I have received from the members of my church and of the H. B. A. $75.00. Every penny that I've received has been spent for wearing apparel. A nice suit of clothes, a pair of shoes, a hat etc. I did not ask this favor of my friends because I could not get a suit of clothes, but I asked because of two things. The first place, I was not able to pay cash for it; in the second place, I was of the opinion that I deserved it from those of you for whom I am working so hard. The heartiest response has shown that you appreciate my service.

There were better looking men at the General Conference than I, but nobody's clothes looked better than mine. This was made possible by you.

We had the best General Conference in the history of our church. Many great problems and principles were envolved in this General Conference and it was necessary that men take a stand for the principles envolved. I can truthfully say that your General Secretary stood his ground. I feared no man or group of men, high or low, and all we fought and stood for was won. Several of my friends insisted upon me to run for some general office, but I preferred to remain in Mississippi with my friends. I had several invitations to the big churches in the North that pay from $2,500 to $3,000, parsonages, etc., furnished, but I preferred Newell Chapel.

Elsewhere in this issue we are publishing the list of those who contributed. If anyone has been omitted, please notify me and I shall gladly publish your gift. May the blessings of our heavenly Father be upon you, and may He help me to so live and conduct myself in my daily deportment that those of my friends who are interested in me and my welfare will never regret the one cent and more that has been given to this cause.

My daily prayer is "Lord, help me to live in such a way that I can help my friends day by day; Lord, help me to live such a life hour by hour, that I can point men to a light that is higher than I."

Yours in Christ,

ROY L. YOUNG.

## H. B. A. BOARDS WILL MEET AS FOLLOWS

Scooba, Mississippi, Monday, June 2nd. S. T. Beck, President.

Porterville, Mississippi, Tuesday, June 3rd. F. L. Key, President, on the Scooba road.

Meridian, Mississippi, in the H. B. A. Auditorium, Wednesday, June 4th.

Eastabuchie, Mississippi, Tuesday, June 5th, Adam Pruitt, President.

Laurel, Mississippi, on Meridian Avenue, Friday, June 6th, E. D. Daniel, President.

State Line, Mississippi, five miles Southwest of State Line, in Mt. Olive Baptist Church on the Avera road, June 9th, James Walley, President.

Hattiesburg, Mississippi, Tuesday, June 10th, in the Forest Training School Joe Knox, President.

Shubuta, Mississippi, June 11th, Mrs. Emma Heidelberg, President, in Tribulation Church, three and a half miles West of Shubuta.

Lambert, Mississippi, Friday, June 13th, J. M. Martin, President.

President Joe Knox has sent in two notices. One notice states that the Board is to be held at Palmers Crossing, four miles South of Hattiesburg. Another states that it is to be held in Forest County Training School. I presume this school is located at Palmers Crossing.

## WAY-SIDE MEDICINE

(By DR. L. F. BROOKS)

### FOOD

The object for eating is not solely to satisfy the appetite as many of us seem to think, and even to act. There is a deeper, underlying meaning for eating than the pig idea of stuffing and cramming until the stomach stretches with pains and aches. Nature intends that we shall eat first for the purpose of supplying the cells of the body with nutrition and energy. Much energy is spent by the structures of the body during the grind of each day and they must receive reinforcement from the food we eat after the fundamental needs of the body are taken care of through the food we eat. Then one may indulge in with much care and concern, eating merely to gratify the appetite, which may be designated as the second object for eating.

Foods are divided into three general divisions: Fats, Carbohydrates and Proteids. Each class has its place in human economy of blood. Muscle and bone building preservation. Butter, oily foods, etc. constitute the fat division of foods, while sugars, potatoes, rice, grits, dried beans, peas etc. are examples of carbon food stuff, and lean meats, yolk of eggs, etc. belong to the proteid family of foods. The body, composed of its number of elements, is so constituted that a balanced diet should contain fats, carbohydrates and proteids in a reasonable proportion.

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## NOTICE!

I wish to take this method to thank the local presidents and members for the way that they have been standing by me in the sale of Tomb Stones. There are some of our presidents that erect a Stone every time they lose one of their members and they buy from me because they have seen that I sell them a high quality Stone at a very low cost. There are some few who lose members, faithful and loyal H. B. A.'s (that is the kind of write up they give in the Echo) and do not erect a Tomb Stone.

I hope that every president who has a deceased member in his or her lodge will come to the Board prepared to get a Stone for their deceased member, or if you see that the relatives of the deceased can not meet the Board and you don't want to wait that long to put your order in, mail it to me, I will take the very best care of it, just as much as if you were there, because I know I've got to send it to you, and satisfied customers is what I am working for.

I was elected lay Delegate to our General Conference that was held in Louisville, Kentucky. We had a wonderful time in Louisville, and I also visited some of my old friends in Indiana. Now I am back home and want you all to do your best to help make the June Board a success.

I am thanking you in advance for your support.

R. W. YOUNG, Agent,
P. O. Box 1043,
Meridian, Mississippi.

## JUVENILE BOARD A SUCCESS

The Juvenile Board that was held May 21st in the H. B. A. Building was wonderful. Our kind president has lowered the joining fee for three months for this Department. Any H. B. A. can become a member of the Juvenile Department by paying 10c.

Prizes will be awarded to the guides who reported in the last Board, bringing the largest number of new members in the next Board. We want to make this a great drive for the Juvenile Department. For further information, write

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### DEKALB

Dear Editor: Please give me space in the columns of the Echo to let the many readers hear from Lodge No. 85. We are doing real H. B. A. work in our community. We are proud to say that we are not having much sickness in our lodge. We owe no man.

We are proud to say that when we owe you, you may rest at ease, because we certainly do pay our bills.

W. L. McDADE, President

### MERIDIAN

Dear Editor: Give me space in the columns of the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 70 is doing nicely. We are all working in harmony with the lodge in order to make it a success. Our local president has been very sick and we wish for him a speedy recovery.

REPORTER.

### HATTIESBURG

Dear Editor: Give me space in the columns of the Echo to inform the many friends and members that the June Board will convene in Hattiesburg in the Forest County Training School Building.

We gave a little entertainment for our lodge and we are proud to say that we realized a nice sum of $15.00 to go in our home treasury. We are proud to say that there is nothing like the H. B. A. Pray for our success.

JOE KNOX, President.

### CRANDALL

Dear Rev. Young: Please give me space to say that lodge No. 123 is doing nicely. We have had our rally and we are proud to say to the many readers and friends that Club No. 1, (E. F. Young Club) with president Annie Slay as captain, raised $9.80. Ollie Marsh, captain of Club No. 2, known as the R. L. Young Club, raised $5.50. Total maount raised, $14.30. We wish to thank our loyal members for their support in this little rally.

Yours for the Order,
MRS. ANNIE SLAY, President

### BUCATUNNA

Rev. R. L. Young,

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the readers of this wonderful little paper know that we, the members of lodge No. 214 are getting along fine, and are still trying to grow our membership. We rae not growing our membership as some of the local lodges, by taking in persons who do not comply with the laws of the Constitution.

If the other local lodges would do as lodge No 214 is trying to do, we would not have so many deaths on our hand. The local presidents have not thought that when they impose these old sick persons on the Order that they are killing it. The Association would be stronger, and would live longer if all of the members and presidents would work for the good of the Order as a whole, and not for the good of an individual.

We are planning to have a big rally on the Fifth Sunday in June for the good of our local lodge. We mean to put over a great program.

Yours for the H. B. A,
J. L. STORY, President.

Dear Editor: Please give me space in the columns of the Echo to say to the many readers and friends that lodge No. 1 is doing nicely. All the members seem to be co-operating with the local president.

I have been asked by Brother L. W. Walker, an old sick gentleman, to ask the H. B. A. Presidents and members to give him at least 1c to help him in his needy condition. I told Brother Walker that I saw his article through the columns of the Echo sometime ago asking the presidents and members for a donation, but I failed to put the matter before my members, and for that reason, lodge No. 1 had not donated anything. So lodge No. 1 donated Brother Walker a nice little sum. I had been thinking that I was in bad shape, but after visiting Brother Walker, I discovered that his condition was somewhat worse than mine. I have been indisposed for five years and have not been able to do any work, but I found that Brother Walker's condition was far worse than mine. Brother Walker has been confined to his bed for four years and is not able to get out. I am not able to describe the condition of this Gentleman. He stated to me, "Martin, you have been sick for a good while, still you are able to get you a drink of water when you want it." He also stated that if his house were on fire, he would not have the strength to get up out of bed.

Dear presidents, get among the members of your lodges and collect a little something for this old sick gentleman and mail it to I. M. Martin, Vimville, Miss., and I will gladly deliver any amount sent to him.

I. M. MARTIN, President H. B. A. No. 1, Vimville, Mississippi

### SHUBUTA

Dear Editor: Please give me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 230 is still pressing upward We wish to thank the Editor for the plan mentioned through the columns of the Echo relative to the Rally. We put on a small drive and raised a small amount of $6.00. At the time the Rally was on, a goodly number of our members were on the sick list, however, they are now much improved. We are planning to have another Rally very soon, so we are asking the prayers of every H. B. A.

Pray that we may make lodge No. 230 a success.

R. H. LOFTON, President,
(MRS.) HATTIE WOODARD, Reporter.

### MERIDIAN

Dear Editor: Allow lodge No. 253 to say through the columns of the Echo that we are yet alive and are doing nicely in all phases of work. Our membership is growing and we still have a lot of doctor bills on hand, but we are not complaining because we feel that this is in our line of work. We are planning to make a round report in the June Board, which will convene in the H. B. A. Auditorium on June 4th. We want to give the members and friends attending this Board a big time.

E. F. YOUNG, Jr, President
REPORTER.

The following presidents reported the following amounts to help the members of Newell Chapel C. M. E. Church buy their pastor, Rev. R. L. Young, a suit for the General Conference, which convened in Louisville, Kentucky:

| H. B. A. No. | —Local President: | —Amt. |
|---|---|---|
| 21 | Floyd Ott | 21c |
| 263 | B. J. Tatum | 40c |
| 72 | D. H. Watson | 75c |
| 317 | Isaac Moore | 75c |
| 198 | J. M. Hall | 12c |
| 163 | Tom Crawford | 17c |
| 132 | G. W. Knight | $2.50 |
| 42 | Mrs. Vinie Clayton | 33c |
| 287 | James McDonald | 50c |
| 396 | Jack Baggett | 25c |
| 410 | Sam Jasper | $1.00 |
| 159 | G. D. Cotton | 15c |
| 52 | Jackie Thompson | 23c |
| 422 | R. V. Pope | $2.50 |
| 303 | John Adam | 50c |
| 275 | Rev. J. H. Welch | 10c |
| 5 | Frank Welch | $1.00 |
| 416 | R. A. Lucius | 50c |
| 364 | Jeff Anderson | 14c |
| 123 | Mrs. Annie Slay | $1.00 |
| 377 | Pete Bang | 50c |
| 95 | Rev. C. L. Pringle | 50c |
| 306 | D. M. Marshall | 50c |
| 373 | Aaron Trotter | 20c |
| 347 | C. M. Weathersby | 21c |
| 234 | N. M. Cameron | 20c |
| 49 | V. T. Thompson | 26c |
| 246 | Mrs. Stella Williams | 2c |
| 343 | Sam Buckley | 50c |
| 47 | J. C. Burton | 50c |
| 173 | T. J. Deer | 55c |
| 20 | W. M. Knott | 30c |
| 331 | Willie Porter | $1.00 |
| 210 | L. M. Hearn | 10c |
| 322 | A. G. Garner | $1.35 |
| 392 | M. A. Lindsay | 25c |
| 136 | Rev. I. P. Triplett | 5c |
| 324 | Silas Walker | 20c |
| 389 | Russell Peterson | 12c |
| 174 | Jas. Fairley | 10c |
| 105 | J. H. Hall | 21c |
| 27 | Mrs. F. C. Cooley | 40c |
| 138 | R. H. Gibson | 3c |
| 267 | G. D. Cotton | 22c |
| 151 | A. R. Price | 25c |
| 411 | Bob Tatum | 21c |
| 57 | W. C. McLeod | $1.00 |
| 125 | R. C. Cole | 17c |
| 209 | Prince Haynes | 60c |
| 201 | Will Bradford | 30c |
| 260 | E. D. Daniel | $1.00 |
| 345 | David Leverett | 32c |
| 240 | Mrs. Lizzie Willey | $1.25 |
| 196 | A. Evans | 47c |
| 293 | Mrs. Lena Johnson | 25c |
| 139 | Jack Davis | 42c |

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## BOARD

Each local lodge will please remember that there was a law passed in the last Convention by which each local president is to pay $1.25 per day for board and lodging while at the Convention. Said board is to be paid by the local lodge. It is also understood that the lodge will pay the traveling expenses for the local president.

General Secretary.

## LAMBERT, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to mention the loss of one of our most worthy and faithful members of No. 45 in the person of sister Emma Taylor, who died June 2nd and was buried June 5th in the Mascedonia cemetary at Vance, Miss. Mrs. Taylor leaves a husband, three daughters, three sons and a host of relatives and friend to mourn her lost. We regret to loose a christian member as sister Taylor, and yet we know that she is now resting in that sweet beyond.

J. M. Martin, President.
Prof. S. L. Benson, Reporter.

## LAMBERT, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please give me space to say how I feel when the truth is told on me, it makes me be more careful when I receive the Echo and see my visits to my work. In other words it makes me feel good. On the 19th of May brother J. M. Martin and I visited Lodge No. 386 at Crowder, Miss. We found this lodge doing fine. Lodge No. 386 has done something worth while, they have bought a lot to build a hall on. Agent Ben Phillips has a new lodge at Vance, Miss., with 35 members. Two years ago there was only one lodge in the Delta but today we have ten lodges.

To-day I read a very sad letter from J. M. Martin concerning my father Lewis Walker asking each president to help him. I want to thank Rev. R. L. Lee and all my friends through the Echo for $2.90 given me for my father on the 4th of March. The Lord will give you some more. If any presidents or members have any more to give just send it to L. W. Walker R. 8 Box 10 Meridian, Miss. or Brother J. M. Martin, Lambert, Miss. and he will give the amount that you give. Yours for the work.

A. M. Walker.

On Monday June 9th we were at State Line, Miss. We are compelled to say that State Line, surpassed anything that we have witnessed in the history of the Association. The people of State Line, turned out in large numbers. We had a crowded house. Standing room was a premium. We have never seen H. B. A.s turn out in such large numbers with so many boxes, pans, trunks heavily laden with what we wanted. When we were through, it appeared as if the table had not been touched. We broke all previous records in taking in applications. Thirty six applications were taken in for membership.

President James Walley and his good members know their "biz." President D. L. Harris was the king of the forest, reporting $144.05 for his lodge. President Walley took second place. The McCanns, Wally etc. of State Line seem to have every thing well in hand.

Tuesday June 10th we found ourselves at Palmer Crossing out from Hattiesburg with president Joe Knox and my my what a time we did have. Joe Knox knows how to throw knots out of his way. He and his good members stepped on the gas. Among those, who reported from $75.00 to $160.00 from their local lodges were: W. J. Rankin, W. C. McLeod. J. M. Thompson, Jas. Rodges, Mrs. E. A. B. Harper, J. J. Pickett and Mathew Rowe. All of the presidents as a whole made splendid reports. President Joe Knox and his members should be congratulated for the splendid work that they are doing.

On Wednesday June 11th, we were in a new section, West of Shubuta, Miss. with Mrs. Emma Heidelburg and her good people. These women presidents know how to do business. They make some of us men get up and hump. Rev. Nelson Carter was present to add encouraging words to the meeting. We regreted to leave Shubuta but we truly hope that Mrs. Heidelburg and her members will soon invite us back again. The money kings at Shubuta, Miss. were Ed McLemore, J. M. Moore, and Thos. Blakney. Ed McLemore reported the largest amount from any single local lodge in the Association. W. C. McLeod comes second, D. L. Harris third and W. J. Rankin fourth. All four of these men reported more than $140.00 each as will be seen else where.

President S. L. Walker of Pinola, Miss. was at Hattiesburg with his special quintet. The delegates, members and friends were royally entertained by these beautiful singers. President Walker has composed one of the best songs in honor of the General President and General Secretary of the H. B A. that we have listen too. We hope to have many new compositions at the Convention such as songs, poetry etc.

## KILN, MISS.

Dear Rev. Young: The rally has proven quite a success in our lodge. The Roy Young club with Sister Olevia Barns, Captain raised $10.00. The Fred Young club with Brother Steve Small, Captain raised $9.00. Total raised $19.00.

Zachriah Baggett, President.

## PACHUTA

Dear Editor: Please give me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 286 is having its Annual Sermon preached on first Sunday in July at Chapel Hill Church two and a half mile West of Pachuta,

Come one come all, you are welcome. Big dinner on the grounds.

Mrs. Eva Sumerall, President.

## HATTIESBURG, MISS.

Rev. R. L. Young, Dear Sir: This comes to let the many readers of the Echo know that lodge No. 270 celebrated its 3rd anniversary June 15th. to-gether with lodge No. 232-205 and lodge No. 226. Rev. Kriss a member of lodge No. 102 preached our sermon, Subject "My Sheep Knows My Voice" In his sermon he showed the necessity of following a leader and at the close of his sermon the people seemed to have taken what Rev. Kriss had said in and responded with eight applications. We raised $20.00 to add to our treasure. Each president spoke of the Poor man's Friend.

A. J. Barnett, President.

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| 433 | $1.00 |
| 400 | 15c |
| 64 | 50c |
| 305 | 30c |
| 204 | $1.00 |
| 301 | 10c |
| 92 | 75c |
| 192 | 25c |
| 195 | 40c |
| 20 | 35c |
| 331 | $1.00 |
| 348 | $1.00 |
| 194 | 50c |
| 388 | 80c |
| 108 | 1.00 |
| 340 | 50c |
| 362 | 25c |
| 383 | 30c |
| 288 | 1.00 |
| 76 | 20c |
| 4 | 50c |
| 247 | 25c |
| 399 | 15c |
| 381 | 20c |
| 431 | 20c |
| 249 | 50c |
| 71 | 50c |
| 69c | 1.00 |
| 251 | 30c |
| 393 | 14c |
| 394 | 23c |
| 44 | 10c |
| 98 | 23c |
| 377 | 1.00 |
| 301 | 60c |
| 69 | 1.00 |
| 22 | 15c |
| 112 | 40c |
| 114 | 25c |
| 54 | 10c |
| 165 | 27c |
| 176 | 14c |
| 257 | 5c |
| 77 | 1.00 |
| 304 | 25c |
| 402 | 35c |
| 23 | 85c |
| 193 | 25c |
| 162 | 25c |
| 278 | 6c |
| 130 | 12c |
| 119 | 25c |
| 80 | 10c |
| 82 | 25c |
| 296 | 17c |
| 337 | 23c |
| 158 | 05c |
| 296 | 17c |
| 297 | 7c |
| 430 | 17c |

### H. B. A. CONVENTION NOTICE

Agent R. W. Young and Rev. H. Ray were sent to Lambert, Miss. to hold the H. B. A. Board in that district. It is reported that Rev. Ray and R. W. Young put things over in a high pitch. The H. B. A. is growing in the Delta, and we predict a strong membership in that section in the next few years.

R. L. Y.

Mr. E. F. Young Jr. Is now attending the Embalmers Association in New Orleans, La. We wish for him a pleasant stay.

A. L. Y.

The Following amounts Were Collected For Dues and Death Claims In The June Board:

| Lodge No. | amount Back |
|---|---|
| 1 | $37.65 |
| 2 | 60.05 |
| 3 | 50.25 |
| 4 | 48.85 |
| 5 | 25.05 |
| 8 | 11.05 |
| 9 | 64.25 |
| 11 | 55.85 |
| 18 | 15 25 |
| 19 | 26.45 |
| 20 | 51.65 |
| 21 | 82.45 |
| 22 | 46.05 |
| 23 | 116.05 |
| 25 | 37.65 |
| 27 | 54.45 |
| 28 | 104.85 |
| 30 | 79.65 |
| 31 | 40.45 |
| 32 | 32.05 |
| 39 | 75.45 |
| 40 | 53.05 |
| 42 | 44 65 |
| 44 | 12.45 |
| 47 | 54.45 |
| 49 | 36.25 |
| 50 | 30.55 |
| 52 | 43.40 |
| 53 | 40.45 |
| 54 | 13.85 |
| 55 | 30.80 |
| 56 | 29.25 |
| 57 | 145.45 |
| 58 | 40.45 |

### NOTICE

I have received an envelope with an enclosed Cashier's check, purchased at Magee, Miss. June 16th 1930 to the amount of $1.40. The number of the Cashier's check is 9019.
It is impossible for us to know whom to write relative to the check, since the only clue we have is, that it was bought in Magee, Miss. on the above date. The sender is requested to get in touch with the office relative to said Cashier's Check.

Secretary.

### BIG TIME AT STONEWALL

Rev. R. L. Young has been invited to Stone Wall on the 5th Sunday in this month to lay a corner stone and to preach for Rev. E. W. Rodges The people of Stone Wall are planning to have a big time. The corner stone will be laid by the H. B. A. All H. B. A. s are invited. It is expected that several cars will leave Meridian to make the trip.


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### WAYNESBORO, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please give me space in the Echo to let the many readers know how lodge No. 190 is getting along. I think we are doing fine since I have been trying to serve as president of lodge No. 190. When I took hold of the gavel we only had sixty eight members on roll. I became a member last March 1929 and was selected as president in May 1929 and up-to-date, I have on my roll one hundred and forty two members. How do you like that? I h avefound out just what it takes for a man to serve the people, and that is this, our people don't mind following a leader they think is a man worth leading. Of course, I am not saying that I am so good, but I do say this, my people here and in adjacent towns all seem to have the utmost confidence in me. It isn't at all times what a man does that kills himself, but I would term it as what the people catch you doing

I don't blame the people from not joining the church and I don't blame them from not joining the H B. A. no more than anything else. I believe the preachers will agree with me relative to this statement. Some of the preachers are doing things that the members wont do and will get up in the pulpit and preach hard and tell the members what they think they should do and how to live in order toget to heaven, and that same preacher is living all kinds of lives. Members, and friends, I wish to say that if any of you are planning to see God for yourself, you will have to turn aloose worldly things and think of our Heavenly Father and all that he has in store for us. First, get yourself right and then you will have the privilege of correcting some-one else.

I will close by saying, that we should put more God in our work, church and societies.

Yours for the Order,
D. L. Harris, President.

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Revs. E. F. and R. L. Young, made a business trip to Eastabuchie, Miss. Friday June 13.

### CHARTERS

The H. B. A. Charters for the local lodge are now ready. Each president is repuested to mail 36c postage to the office for his or her charter. If you do not mail the 36c in stamps for your charter, you may call to the office and get your charter. We had planned to mail them out to each local president and ask said president to send in postage, but at 36c each it will cost $36.00 to mail out one hundred and we do not have that much money to advance and wait for you to return it in postage, because some of our presidents are as slowful and negligent as they can be. A majority of the local lodges have prompt and active presidents, who are looking after the interest of the local lodge. I must confess that a number of the local lodges have makeshift as local presidents. Some hardly ever read the Echo. In order to prove to you that a lot of president are makeshifts, we have been persuading each president through the Echo, to send in the name of his or her local lodge and we have not had a large number to respond. The office is handicaped in that we can not get the proper information from some of the presidents. I presume tnat those, who have not responded would have if they knew how. Surely the presidents do not know what we mean when we ask you to send in the names of local lodges.

Secretary.

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### H. B. A. RECORDS

We are mailing out H. B. A. records to all of the local presidents. We are asking that you mail to the office 8c. The General President has suggested that the records are badly needed in each local lodge and for that reason, he is trying to arrange to give each lodge a record. All presidents, who have paid for their records will be refunded $1.25 in the Convention. As soon as you receive your record, please mail to the office 8c postage for your record. Please take good care of these records, since they are being given to you by the Association.

Secretary.

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Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let our many H. B. A. Members know that lodge No 116 is still alive and getting along nicely and we are also receiving new members every meeting night. I want to say here that we had a rally the 2nd Sunday, all H. B. A. s were dressed alike, we marched a block back to the church where we took our special seats, after which we had a soul stirring sermon by Rev. W. J. Wheller, Subject "Lost" after the sermon we raised $23.84 for our home treasure. Ninetaen persons sent in their applications.

Lodge No. 116 is sad over the fact that they have lost one of their members in the perssn of Brother Jim Murry. He leaves to mourn his passing a dear wife, mother and three sisters. Lodge No. 116 want to thank our General Presideut and Secretary for their wonderful work.

Mathew Rowe, President.
Irene Graham, Secretary.

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### BLUE SPRINGS

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in your wonderful little paper to say to the many readers that we the members of lodge No. 49 are small in membership, but are doing nicely.

This is my first time to write to the Echo. We are proud to say we are all yet alive and doing real H. B. A. work. All of the members are working in peace and harmony with one anothes. In reading the article through the Eoho and listening to the General Secretary in the March Board at Columbia relative to the Rally, we are proud to say that we think that was a very fine suggestion. The members began to stir like bees and in a very short while we had formed two clubs. The Be-Ready Club, with Miss M. S. Washington as captain, and The Banner Club, with Mr. J. W. Washington as captain, and Misss Lillie McNair acting secretary of both clubs. I wish to state that our rally was a success. A total of $5.02 was raised, with Mrs. Washington leading. We are sorry to say that one of our members, in the person of Sister Francis Lavahum is in Lauuel in the hospital. We wish for her a speedy recovery

Miss Lillie M. McNair, Reporter.


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### VOSSBERG, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 153 at Desota, Miss. on Saturday night before the 1st. Sunday in June was duly installed by agent Ed. McLemore, that heavy weighty agent. I shall say that McLemore know his stuff. We had a grand time and all went home rejoicing. Our doors are open for Rev. McLemore at any time.

C. J. Pickett, President.
Eliza Pickett, Secretary

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### BROOKHAVEN, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please give me space in the Echo to let the many readers know what lodge No. 330 is doing. We had our installation on the 25th of May. A splendid program was ren dered and the following officers were re-elected and elected.

Mrs. Rosa Scarbough, President
Mr. Saul Straughter, Vice President
Mrs. Ester Straughter, Secretary
Mrs. Clara Scott, Assistant Secretary
Mrs. Mennia Cooper, Chaplain, Mr Sandy Scarbough, Treasurer.
The above named officers were installed by Prof. J. J. Pickett. We had a glorious meeting.

We are working up our lodge in order that we might get the September Board. The local presidents have been looking East, but we want you to look West sometime. It would be a treat to have the Board here since it has been three years since we had a Quarterly Board meeting in Brookhaven.

Reporter.

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### H. B. A. BOARD A GOOD OLD SUCCESS

It is with pleasure that we give the following report relative to the H. B. A. Boards just closed:
Board No. 1 met June 2nd at Scooba, Miss. President S. T. Beck and his good members tried themselves. The people turned out in a large number. Splendid reports were made by the presidents. A few of the local presidents had lost members, but the majority had gained members. president I. M. Moore of Deerbrook, Miss. was the king of the forest. He took the lead and closly followed by W. T. Tate and W. L. Gillespie. President Moore reported a gain of eighteen members since the last Board. Who can beat that in one Quarter?
Mr. Bush Cherry of Scooba seems to be one of the busiest men of Scooba. The people of Scooba know how to feed and entertain strangers.

Tuesday June 3rd we were at the old historic spot, Porterville, Miss. with F. L. Key, that old true blue. F. L. Key, who knows no failure. F. L. Key and his people are old on the job and they know how to put the program over. Whenever Key and his people have a chance to feed they will make you hurt your stomach We were proud to see sister Key up stirring around and full of cheer. God bless her. J. G. Gully, Mrs. Annie Blanks and J. J. Overstreet were the money kings of Porterville. They reported above $75.00 each.
Wednesday June 4th we were in the H. B. A. Auditorium in Meridian and the home boys saw to it that the guest had plenty to eat. I. English being the leader. The reports were good. Those reported more than $75.00 per lodge were: C. A. Neeley, E. F. Young, Jr., M. V. B. Pitt and Floyd Ott. They were considered the money kings.

On Thursday June 5th we were at Eastabuchie, Miss. with A. M. Pruitt Now you talk about putting it over in high style, but Pruitt, Nixon and their good members know how to "strut their stuff." A big surprise was given us. A nice box to the Youngs. When we arrived in the City of Meridian it was found that this box contained jellies, jams, preserves etc. What a time we did have at Eastabuchie.

One June 6th we were at Laurel Miss. with that hustling E. D. Daniel. It is hard to describe what a little man can do. We ate until we could not eat. Some of the boys hurt themselves. Mrs. Daniel, Morrell, Brown and others know how to make you eat too much.

Agent J. E. Durr has put Laurel on the map. The money kings in Laurel were: Mrs. Clem Brown and R. V. Pope. Pope reported a gain of forty seven members since the last Board. At first Pope came along and told her that she would have to get in her class. Mrs. Brown's blood was very hot and she went got eight or ten members more and told Mr. Pope to get in his class. A splendid program was rendered before we adjourned. The visitors that made talks were Dr. Brown of Laurel, Rev. Patterson, Mr. U. S. McInnis and Mr. P. A. Christian. Long live Daniel and the members of Laurel.

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### CONVENTION NOTICE

Dear Presidents:

I am sure that all of you are aware of the fact that you are to collect 90c from each of your members and report same at the convention. This 90c is building purpose only. As has been said it is absolutely necessary that we ask for this assessment in order to retain our good name. We have only asked for 10c for building expense since last July, when each member paid 25c on the building and 65c on Death Claims. When we first launched the building program we collected 50c per member in Hattiesburg. We make this statement in order that you may clearly understand it. We have done a very little toward paying any special amount on the building, it is necessary therefore that we urge upon you as loyal supporters of the most worthy cause to do your best to collect from every member of your lodge. Please remember that this assessment is as much compulsory as Death Claims and Quarterly Dues.

We are going to have a special badge of honor that will be pined on each local president who reports 90c for every member of his or her lodge, should there be a president who fails to attend the Convention but make a round report through mail we will send you your badge of honor through mail.

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## TENTATIVE

## H. B. A. CONVENTION PROGRAMME

## JULY 30-AUGUST 1, 1930

Opening, 8:30 a. m.

Devotion conducted by Rev. M. S. Knott General Chaplain.

9:00 a. m. Opening remarks by General President. House announced in order for business.

Convention Roll-Call by the General Secretary. At the roll call the following committee will take in the financial reports of the Convention: W. C. McLeod, and Dr. W. J. Tate; Prof. J. J. Pickett and Johnnie Cole; F. Ott and M. V. B. Pitts; Prof. A. T. Shadwick and B. Brown; Mrs. Hattie Sims, J. C. Williams; V. T. Thompson and D. M. Marshall; Ed McLemore and Mrs. Hattie Nicholson; Joe Knox and Asa Walker; E. W. Washington and W. R. Smith. The above named persons will be assisted by the General Secretary in taking in the finance. The reports will be taken in by committees of twos. The above named persons are requested to be present at the opening of the Convention. We want all financial reports in by 12 o'clock noon. Any president or proxy failing to answer to the roll call will be fined according to law.

11:30 a. m. Thirty minutes recess.

12:00 m Reassemble. A continuation of the financial reports.

1:30 p. m. Adjourn. All delegates will be assigned to their various homes.

3:00 p. m. Reassemble. Devotional services by Revs. H. Ray and E. L. Crosby.

The following committees will be appointed: Committee on Finance:—W. C. McLeod, Rev. H. Ray, M. V. B. Pitts, and Mrs. Matite Nicholson; Committee on Temperance:—A. J. Barnett, W. L. McDade and Mrs. Ella Morrell. Committee on District:— J. E. Durr, R. W. Young , J. J. Pickett, Esau Sledge, and O. T. Woods. Committee on Resolutions and Revision:—W. J. Rankin, J. M. Thompson, I. M. Martin, J. F. Chapell, H. Edwards, d Mrs. Bettie Faulknor, Mrs. S. P. Jones, R. W. Radcliff, F. Ott, R. L Young an D. B. Borders. Committee on Time and Place:—I. English, D. H. Watson, and A. G. Garner. Committee on Obituary:—Prof. A. T. Shadwick I. M. Moore and Mrs. Eva Sumrall. Committee on Grievances:-E. W. Washington, M. V. B. Pitts, A. Evans and R. Radcliff.

Committee on General Annual Address:—Mrs E. A. B. Harper, T. J. McWilliams and Mrs. M. A. Trussell. Committee on Secretary-Treasurer's report: Profs. A. T. Shadwick, Thos. Blakeney and M V. B. Pitts. Committee on General and Local Agents: D. L Harris, J. M. Martin and R. V. Pope. Marshals for the purpose of keeping order:— A. M. Walker and Ben Phillips.

Free lemonade will be served each day to the delegates and members of the H B. A. by Misses Lenora Young, Symerial McCarty and others. The assignment of delegates to their various homes will be looked after by R. W. Young and President I. English.

Annual Reports of General Officers and Agents—Adjournment.

## NIGHT SESSION

Devotion.

The following is the program with the General Secretary, Master of Ceremonies:

Remarks by the Master of Ceremonies.

Welcome on behalf of H. B. A's and Citizenry of Meridian by Dr. L. F. Brooks, M. D.

Address by Prof. J. E. Johnson, Principal of Oak Park Vocational School of Laurel, Mississippi. Admission 10c.

Remarks by the General President.

Announcements and adjourn.

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## THURSDAY—SECOND DAY'S SESSION

8:30 a. m. Devotion by the General Chaplain and others.

Remarks by the General President.

Report of Committees.

11:30 a. m. Recess.

12:m. Reassemble. The Committees will continue to make their reports.

1:00 p. m. Adjourn. 2:30 p. m. Reassemble. At 3:30 p. m. all delegates will go to Traction Park to witness the fastest Baseball Game of the season between Stonewall High School and the Meridian Giants. Game called at 3:30. Transportation from the H. B. A. Auditorium to Traction Park, 10c. Regular admission to the game, 35c; admission to all H. B. A's 15c. Music will be furnished by the State. Plenty of fun at Traction Park. Two guineas will be turned loose. The one catching the guinea will be given $2.50 in gold and the guinea. Other prizes will be awarded.

Reassemble at 8:00 p. m. for a regular business session. Admission free.

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## FRIDAY MORNING—THIRD DAY'S SESSION

Devotion conducted by Rev. H. Ray and others at 8:30 a. m.

9:00 a. m. Grand H. B. A. Parade. We are expecting at least two thousand H. B. A's to be present on time for the parade. After the parade, we will return to the Auditorium and complete the work of the Convention. There will be many interesting features during the session that are not included in the tentative programme. All presidents who make round reports financially for their lodges, will receive badges of honor.

You will please remember that at the last Convention, a law was passed that the delegates would pay $1.25 per day for board and lodging. All local lodgges will see to it that their local presidents are provided for.

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### NOTICE!

Any president that desires a special home for himself and wife, may write me a postal card and I will have a little more time to locate one for you, instead of waiting until the first day of the Convention, when everything will be in a rush.

R. W. YOUNG,
I. ENGLISH, Committee.

Waynesboro, Mississippi

July 1, 1930

Rev. R. L. Young,

Dear Sir:

This comes to let you know that Rev. I. C. Harper, Vice-President of the H. B. A., was at Bucatunna Saturday night, and he gave the H. B. A. and the Youngs the devil. He told the people that you told them, that he had taken some money, and the reason you did not put the law on him, he would tell the secret, and that all had been knocking down. He said a lot. I thought I would tell you what he was doing in trying to kill the H. B. A. Some of the people in that part of the country are weak. I think the agents ought to visit that part of the section. He is representing something else. I thought that I would just tell you what is going on. I think he is planning to keep up with all of the big meetings he hear of I had just left that place, but I went back Sunday, and he was gone. I said everything I could for you. I am,

Your friend.

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### NOTICE!

We have just received a death certificate from president G. W. Heard of Shubuta, Miss., for Tom Hornes, deceased member. Our record shows that Tom Hornes renewed in the H. B. A. in the month of April. He died in the month of June. He had been under the treatment of the doctor at least one month before death. It may have been that Tom Hornes was in good health when he renewed, and yet we can not help but feel [illegible] urge members of different lodges as well as local presidents, to not only watch your lodge but watch other presidents and members.

We have been paying from one to two deaths every quarter for some time in lodge No. 127 at Shubuta, Miss., and I am feeling a bit suspicious of these presidents and lodges coming up every quarter with dead members. There is something wrong somewhere. We paid two deaths for lodge No. 127 in the last Board and have one already for the September Board, and I don't know how many more we will have.

**Don't forget July 30, 31, and August 1, Convention Days**

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### AFRO-AMERICAN EDITOR SQUEALS

Sometime ago, it was my privilege to read an editorial that appeared in tne AFRO-AMERICAN COURIER, under the date of April 1, 1930. The Rev. E. L. Twine of 1087 Park Street, Jackson, Mississippi, bears the title of editor.

An editorial appeared in this issue under the caption, THE PRICE OF SUCCESS. After the good editor, E. L. Twine, had written about half of his editorial on the above subject, he steps off into a new field. He begins by saying "down in South Mississippi there is a paper published styled "The Echo" edited by one Rev. R. L. Young etc. The good editor made mention of the January issue of the Echo. Since the Echo is published semi-monthly, we do not know to which issue he refers, however, he is very much discouraged. He speaks of the little petty complaints that the editor of the Echo broods over. Such complaints being heard by the most ignorant among us. Our good editor failed to mention one complaint in the article that appeared in the Echo. Before going further into this article, I want the readers to understand thoroughly that there is no fight on between the H B. A. and the Afro-Americans. I want it thoroughly understood that I am taking a straight shot at editor Twine. I have not been informed that editor Twine is one of the Managers of the Afro-Ameircan Sons & Daughters. As I have always said privately and publicly, we have the greatest respect for the Afro-Americans and we shall continue to have respect until the management causes otherwise. Our office does not consider Mr. Twine in the management, however, he may be; if so, POOR MANAGEMENT. Mr. Twine, if you were going to write an article criticizing me for what I had said through the Echo, the official organ of the H. B. A., my good Sir, you should have had GUTS enough to give your readers the advantage of at least two or three of my complaints. You stated, Sir, that I was shooting too low to be of any lasting good to even the people in my immediate locality. My advice to you Sir, it this: that I shot low, at a low range, and some bullets must have hit you. What are you squealing about? You started off with a new paragraph stating that you want to inform me about the Afro-Americans being worth more than forty thousand followers in four states: that it is a mighty army and they are satisfied. Kind Sir, I feel that you must not be a member of the Afro, because you stated that they are satisfied. If you are a part of it, you should have said "we" are satisfied. Allow me to say that satisfaction on the part of Negro leaders comes too quickly. You think the Afro-Americans are satisfied. I want to gigve you to understand that they are not. No organization headed by such men as Dr. L. T. Miller and T. J. Huddleston can be satisfied with the great field of harvest that lies before it, and to prove to you Mr. Twine, that the Afro-Americans are not satisfied, they are doing what other progressive bodies are doing. They are going after the folks.

The Echo wants you to understand that we appreciate the hospital operated in Mississippi by the Afro-Americans. The Echo wants you to understand that the Insurance Department at Jackson, Mississippi considers Dr. L. T. Miller a real leader of our group. We have been told that Dr. Miller is dependable. This news comes from the leading white people. I believe what you said about Dr. Miller's capability, and I believe what you said about T. J. Huddleston's capability, not because you said it, but because the Insurance Department recognizes these two men. Somehow, in all of our conversations with the Insurance Department relative to the work of the Afro-Americans, it has never mentioned the BIG EDITOR TWINE.

I wonder what you mean when you asked "think of such a group as the Afro-Americans being stopped by a band of little fellows at King lake? And you stated that it can not be done. Since you have referred to the Echo and H. B. A., do you think that we are trying to stop the Afro-Americans? The official organ of the H. B. A. has never said one word against the Afro. Mr. Huddleston has been in our office and we had a long friendly chat. He appears to be a fine sort of fellow with some common horse sense.

From the tone of your editorial, I am of the opinion that when it comes to running Associations, you have about as much sense along these lines as a chicken has when it is standing near the road and an automobile is approaching. Mr. Twine, have you ever been driving your car along the highway and viewed a chicken that was four or five feet away, and just as your car neared the chicken, the poor little weak chicken attempted to cross the road? It flew, it ran, but it was knocked down and the wheel ran over it, and there lies a dead chicken. Sir, you remind me of an old hen that I ran over the other day. She was out of the way, but not having any brain power, got in the way. As an editor, you were out of my way, but you attempted to cross the road when you heard my motor roaring. You stated that I remind you of a crawfish backing up for a fight with a giant steam engine. Do you mean to tell me that you're a giant engine? If you have any common sense at all I know you don't speak of the H. B. A. backing up to fight the Afro-Americans, because we have no cause to fight. The two orders, Afro and H. B. A. are doing good for the members of our group and there seems to be no ill will existing between the management. I do not mean to say that little bantam roosters such as you and a few others won't attempt to crow sometime, but the LIONS of the H. B. A. and Afro are all at peace.

If you are a big steam engine, I pity the little ones. Editor Twine, you remind me of an old cow crossing the highway at night when the bright lights of an approaching automobile are nearing her. Have you had the experience as to how a cow acts when the lights are shining directly in her eyes on a dark night? If the driver isn't careful, that poor cow may ditch the automobile. Can you read between lines? Dr. Twine, you stated that ere long, the Afro will collect these feudal groups into the fold of the Afro-American Sons and Daughters. I do not know as to whether you have reference to the H. B. A. or not. If you do, you had better have plenty of water for I fear that we will choke something to death.

I wish to advise Mr. Twine, to pay attention to some of the things that you near among what you call the ignorant. Quite a few of our people can not write articles, and be called editors, etc., but numbers of them have more common sense than some of these editors. Some of our people are not as ignorant as you would style them. The little petty complaints are some of the things that hurt the Negro race.

Do you know that all hogs were first pigs? These little pigs must grow to be hogs. These little complaints among our people, as well as among other races, grow to be hogs when they are fed by being ignored, and the editor of the Echo has sense enough to know that if you give the pig the proper food and attention, he will be a hog some day. These little complaints among our people are naturally getting food, and this food is fatting them. These complaints will be hogs some day, Brother Twine. I am of the opinion that Mr. Twine has been associated with Dr. Miller and Mr. Huddleston, and he sees how they can do big things, and it makes him feel as if he can do big things, at least write good articles. You may be a good writer, but April 1st was your day off. I think you are a good fellow, but by being associated with those big men, I fear it is giving you the BIG head. This is to you, editor:

"Little Bo-Peep has lost her sheep
And can not tell where to find them,
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### LAMBERT

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 387 is doing nicely. We are working to win the banner in the September Board. The people of this section have been wondering what will come next that will excell the Holbrook Benevolent Association.

I am praying that the H. B. A. will never die, and I am trusting that all the others will do likewise. I have the work of the H. B. A. at heart. I am praying that our membership will continue to grow.

S. H. HUMBLE, President

### MT. OLIVE

Dear Editor: Please give me space in the columns of the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 385 is doing nicely. We are small in membership but are trying to do real H. B. A. work. We have seven applications on file for membership to our lodge. Pray that our membership might increase.

P. L. LOFTON, President.

### DEERBROOK

Dear Editor: Allow me space in the columns of the Echo to let the many readers and friends know that the members of lodge No. 413 lost a faithful member in the person of Sister Hattie Sams. She died in full triumph of faith. She was a loyal member to her lodge and a loving wife She leaves to mourn her passing a loving husband, children, and a host of friends.

JOHNNER BREWER, President.

### LAMBERT

Dear Editor: Please give me space in the Echo to state that lodge No. 387 is on the main line. On my visit to No. 387, I received $1.00 for the man, Brother Walker, who has been sick for four years. I wish to commend lodge No. 387 for the kindness shown toward all sick persons.

I wish to advise all new agents to read the Constitution very carefully and more frequently. By so doing, you will receive the results. I would like for the General President and General Secretary to pay the following lodges a visit: 386, 387, 388, 391, 403 and 421. All of this is my work and I am proud to say that I am not ashamed of either one of the above named lodges. I am in partnership with the following lodges: Nos. 434 and 437. We, as agents and presidents ought to use some common sense. In reading the Constitution relative to the age limit, we think it says from twelve years of age to seventy-five, when it says from twelve to fifty-five. I wish to advise all concerned that the H. B. A. will do all it promises to do and a little more, provided we abide by the laws of the Constitution. There are three things that should be taken under consideration. We ought to work for the good of the order. Work to save it and to save ourselves. We had a wonderful Board at Lambert June 13th. We were honored with having Rev. B. J. Sykes with us who spoke very encouraging words. I will close by saying agents, be careful what you say and do, because you will meet it right around the corner.

A. M. WALKER, Agent.

### H. B. A. BOARD AT LAMBERT A SUCCESS

President J. M. Martin and his faithful members put over a wonder program in the H. B. A. Board that was held in Lambert, Miss., June 13th. The General President and General Secretary could not go to Lambert to hold the Board meeting on account of some very urging business that had to be attended to, and for that reason, they sent agents R. W. Young and Rev. H. Ray to take charge of the meeting.

We had a wonderful time at Lambert with Lodge No. 45, together with the cooperation of the other presidents in that section. A wonderful program was rendered, which was enjoyed by all. Rev. D. J. Sykes gave the H. B. A. agents a standing invitation to his church. He is in charge of some of the outstanding churches in that section of the country. Agent Walker invited this young hero from Memphis, Tenn., to be present in the H. B. A. meeting. He proved himself worthy of the task. Mrs. A. M. Walker made us welcome to the Lambert Colored School. We had some very timely remarks by Rev. J. H. Heron. The good people of Marks are asking for the September Board. They feel that if they can get another Board meeting in the Delta, it will not be very long before the H. B. A. will take that section of the country.

R. W. YOUNG, Agent and Reporter.

### CORRECTION

In the last issue of the Echo, we published the names of the local presidents who reported more than $75.00 per lodge. In giving the names of the various presidents, we omitted one in person of Mr. Asa Walker. I wish to state that Mr. Walker reported $106.25 as will be seen in this issue of the Echo.

### CRANDALL—BIG PICNIC!

July 4th, 1930, the H. B. A. Lodge No. 123 of Theadville, Mississippi is asking all of its friends to come and enjoy a nice time. Come one! Come all!

MRS. ANNIE SLAY, President.

### JUNE BOARD COLLECTION $10,237.00

The H. B. A. Boards that closed on the 13th of June was quite a success. Total amount collected these supposed hard time, $10,237.00. We paid forty claimants in the last Boards $220.00 each. At the close of the Boards we had a few lodges that had not reported. Quite a few of the lodges had members who did not report in the Board but reported later. We wish to urge all presidents to do their best to collect from the delinquent members. We found that after paying $220.00 to each claimant, we had paid out a little more than we collected for Death Claims and it is necessary that the deficient reports, as well as those who have not made any report, be in the office in order that we may be able to take care of these Boards.

SECRETARY.

We have on file six or eight applications for the September Boards. We are kindly asking all presidents who desire to entertain the September Board to write a letter to the office. We shall not be able to hold Boards at all of the places that desire the Boards, however, we shall do our best to accomodate the most logical place and the most logical president. We hope to publish in the next issue of the Echo just where each Board will be stationed.

SECRETARY.

### THE FOLLOWING AMOUNTS WERE COLLECTED FOR DUES AND DEATH CLAIMS IN THE JUNE BOARD:

| Lodge No | Amount | Back |
|---|---|---|
| 60 | $15.25 | |
| 61 | 15.25 | |
| 62 | 7.00 | |
| 63 | 22 25 | |
| 64 | 82.45 | |
| 66 | 11.05 | |
| 67 | 43.25 | |
| 69 | 88.05 | |
| 70 | 76.85 | |
| 71 | 46.25 | |
| 72 | 61.45 | |
| 75 | 54 45 | |
| 76 | 27.85 | |
| 79 | 29.25 | |
| 80 | 54.45 | |
| 82 | 100.50 | |
| 84 | 13.85 | |
| 85 | 72 65 | |
| 92 | 92 25 | |
| 93 | 75.45 | |
| 94 | 41.85 | |
| 95 | 41.85 | |
| 96 | 61.85 | |
| 98 | 16.80 | |
| 99 | 32.05 | |
| 100 | 6.85 | |
| 102 | 99.25 | $4.05 |
| 103 | 18.05 | |
| 105 | 25 05 | |
| 108 | 65.65 | |
| 110 | 36 25 | |
| 111 | 6.85 | |
| 112 | 46.05 | |
| 113 | 113.40 | |
| [illegible] | 51.65 | |
| 115 | 22.25 | |
| 116 | 81.05 | |
| 118 | 53.05 | |

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| Lodge No. | Amount | Back |
|---|---|---|
| 119 | 103.05 | |
| 121 | 13.85 | |
| 122 | 30.65 | |
| 125 | 50.25 | |
| 127 | 126.05 | |
| 130 | 53.05 | |
| 131 | 41.85 | |
| 132 | 29.25 | |
| 133 | 107.65 | |
| 135 | 18.05 | |
| 136 | 20.95 | |
| 138 | 4.25 | |
| 139 | 57.25 | |
| 141 | 30.65 | |
| 145 | 75.45 | |
| 148 | 26 45 | |
| 147 | 26.45 | |
| 151 | 36.25 | |
| 152 | 34.85 | |
| 153 | 53.05 | |
| 157 | 43.25 | |
| 158 | 1.40 | |
| 160 | 43 25 | |
| 161 | 34.85 | |
| 165 | 47.45 | |
| 166 | 24.45 | |
| 173 | 18.05 | |
| 417 | 30.65 | |
| 385 | 5.45 | |
| 330 | 26.45 | |
| 45 | 79.65 | |
| 176 | 34.85 | |
| 179 | 50.40 | |
| 180 | 15 25 | |
| 181 | 70.20 | |
| 185 | 114.65 | |
| 178 | 19.45 | |
| 189 | 56.00 | |
| 190 | 144.05 | |
| 192 | 22 25 | |
| 193 | 33.45 | |
| 194 | 72.65 | |
| 195 | 65.65 | |
| 196 | 62 85 | |
| 198 | 29.25 | |
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| 201 | 39.05 | |
| 202 | 23.65 | |
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| 207 | 42.85 | |
| 209 | 8.25 | |
| 210 | 11.05 | |
| 212 | 43.25 | |
| 213 | 159.45 | |
| 214 | 13.85 | |
| 215 | 28.85 | |
| 217 | 19.45 | 1.40 |
| 219 | 23.65 | |
| 220 | 15.25 | |
| 221 | 34.85 | |
| 222 | 33.45 | |
| 226 | 12.60 | |
| 228 | 20.85 | |
| 230 | 40.45 | |
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| 277 | 90.85 | |
| 278 | 26.45 | |
| 279 | 12.45 | |
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| 301 | 96.45 | |
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| 416 | 14.00 | |
| 418 | 16.65 | |
| 420 | 32.05 | |
| 421 | 16.80 | |
| 422 | 83.85 | |
| 424 | 8.40 | |
| 425 | 8.25 | |
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| 428 | 19.45 | |
| 429 | 13.85 | |
| 430 | 44.65 | |
| 432 | 11.05 | |
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## DEKALB

Dear Editor: Give me space in the columns of the Echo to let you and the many readers know that lodge No. 113 is still going on. On June 29th we had an H. B. A. anniversary sermon preached by Rev. H. Ray of Desota, Miss. His Text was "Where is your wedding garment" Subject: Friends, show some sign. We raised a nice little sum to the amount of $40.00 Plenty dinner was served to all present. Goats and chickens died that Saturday, in order that we might live that Sunday. We are asking for the September Board.

Willie L. Cole, Reporter.

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I am asking each local president, of each local lodge, that I have oaganized, to do his or her best to be present in the H. B. A Convention. Mr. Frank Harris of Crystal Springs, made his first report in the June Board, and he reported $41.00 in his home treasure. I think that is fine for that new lodge.

Rev. E. L Crosby made a splendid report also. I believe that Rev. Crosby is going to rank among the biggest reports among the new lodges. Help him out members, he can not make a good report without your support.

R. W. Young, Agent.

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Dear Presidents: I am writing you kindly asking, that those of you, who have deceased members in your lodge and the funeral bills have been paid through the office, please wait a little while, thereby giving the office time to get through with the work of the Boards. I received letters from some of you before the Boards closed relative to your discount. Others ask for it in Boards. Others as soon as the Boards close. It may be that you are not aware of the great responsibility and other work in our office. You may not be aware of the fact, that we are at work sometimes until 7:00 and 8:00 o'clock in the evening trying to serve you. Please have more patience and don't worry us to death about your 2 per cent discount when you know you will get it.

Secretary.

## WAY--SIDE MEDICINE

(DR. L. F. BROOKS)

Were we the first time to look out upon life, and study its phenomena we would find that three distinct periods characterize all living things the period of growth, of maturity and decay. Under a law that never ceases but is silent in its activity but loud in its evidence, there is an accumulation of elements about the vital principle, and that living forms and both in the vegetable and animal worlds increases in size, some slowly over a very long period of time, while others increases in a very rapid manner.

Tis a marvelous thing indeed to see the human body, begining with the infant state taking on additional height and breadth until the child that once rust led in its mothers arms, prattled around the floor hurried off to school grew up to matured manhood. Miraculous thing to see the tiny plant lift up its limbs, spread its branches thereby amusing the proportion of a mighty oak or a giant pine, defying a thousand whirl winds, while giving refuge and shelter to the birds of the air. All living things naturally obey this law.

The life forces that once expounded upward and outward that once grew, finally reached that point where the activity of growth comes to a halt. This we call the stage of maturity. The stage of equilibrium. Stage it may seem, but young life growing life is ever moving in that direction where growing must cease.

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R. L. Y.

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**Don't forget July 30, 31, and August 1, Convention Days**

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## IMPORTANT

To Presidents and members attending the H. B. A. Convention, we wish to inform you relative to purchasing rail-way tickets on the Southern and M. & O. Rail-Roads. Your attention has been called to this by the committee on arrangement. I wish to add that those of you, who come over the Southern or M. & O. Rail-Road, if you will get a round trip ticket and purchase that ticket on Friday, Saturday or Sunday, it will be good for fifteen days for one way and one tenth fare.

We trust that all presidents, who will travel over these roads will call to see their ticket agents for further Information

Secretary.

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## NOTICE

The H. B. A. Boards For The September Quarter Will Meet At The Following Places With The Following Presidents:

| | |
|---|---|
| Macon | Edcie Robinson |
| Summerland | G. W. Knight |
| Chrystal Springs | Frank Harris |
| Stonewall | J. H. Drakeford |
| Mathersville | Rev. J. H. Moore |
| Dekalb | W. C. McDade |
| Blue Springs | V. T: Thompson |
| Marks | A. M. Walker |
| Gulfport | Lizzie Wiley |

Quite a few of the Presidents have asked for the September Board, however it is impossible to serve all of you, therefore we have done our best to accomodate the most logical place. We realize however, that there are other good places as well as good presidents whom we could not serve, but we hope to serve you in the next quarter. In the next issue of the "Echo" we will notify you as to the date of the Boards and the amounts to be collected.

Secretary.

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## SPECIAL NOTICE

All presidents of the H. B. A. and members as well, are invited to be present to a corner stone laying August 3rd, by the General President. The corner Stone laying is to be at Bethelhem M. E. Church.

J. C. Coleman, Secretary.

A. L. Rencher, Pastor.

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### WAYNESBORO

Dear Rev. R. L. Young:
I am writing you to let you know that I. C. Harper made a speech here last night, and gave you and our H. B. A. down the country. He claimed that you all say he stole money, but that you all ain't said not a word about that you all was stealing. Brother I know one thing, it will take a lot of his stuff to hurt our lodge; of course after all we have some weak people that his talk takes with. Please remember that we will stand.

### EDITOR'S NOTE

In reply to the above letter and to the one in the last issue of the Echo I wish to give the following as an Eye-Opener:

I was reading I think, the Literary Digest the other day and a noted writer made this statement: a drowning man is a fool. He is absolutely crazy. He will grasp anything that he can get his hands on trying to save himself. The writer stated that a drowning man will drown any man he gets his hands on unless the man is an expert swimmer.

When I was a boy on the farm, about 12:00 o'clock at night, sometimes, the hogs would get in the potato patch. My mother would call me and have me get out of the bed to get the hogs out of the potato patch. We had a bad dog name Bep. I would walk out and say "Here Bep, Here Bep." Bep would come and go with me. When I got to the potato patch and said, Sic'em, it was not long before I heard a hog squealing. Old Bep would get him. Now listen the hog that Bep did not catch would not squeal, but they ran like or, or.- Rev. Harper stated in the last Convention that he was willing to pay whatever he owed the body. He asked the general president in the September board in 1929 at New Augusta, not to allow me to read the letters that a number of presidents had written me in which They said he had taken the money. I did not read the letters because the general president ascertained a general statement from Rev. Harper to the effect that if we would give him the account he would settle same. Those of you who know Roy L. Young, know full well that he did not have any better sense than to read those letters before Rev. Harper's face as he had done in the rest of the boards. We turned this matter over into our lawyers hands sometime ago. My good friend wrote him to the effect that he would be glad to settled this account. But he wanted to get some of the amounts straightened out because I had him charged up with some moneys that he did not collect.

I Think Somebody Is Going To Make A Settlement. So far as our stealing, you have our records for twenty-one years. If you can find a few more rogues like the Youngs who can give the people the rating, that they now have through the H. B. A. we need them badly. Since we are giving direct and concrete instances, where the people say that he has stolen (And We Have The Dope) why doesn't my friend do likewise. I know of some more stealing but since it was from me and not the organization I have not mentioned it.

I know what my friend Harper wants, he wants to get up a fuss. Some of the lovers of the H. B. A. have written and talked with me personally relative to what Mr. Harper wants. They have urged me not to enter a fight with him; let him fight by himself. I believe these friends are since e, they want me to hold my standing with the organization. And God knows I stand well with the people and presidents as a whole. I want to notify all of you, that when he gets ready to wrangle he will be by himself. He may have a few disciples with him. Nothing he says about me and my father will ruin our standing with the folks. The folks have been with us twenty-one years, and as long as we conduct ourselves as we are doing, they will stay with us, not because we are Youngs but because we try to do right.

To whom it may concern: Your days are numbered.

Roy L. Young, General Secretary.

### CONVENTION

Three Big Days in Meridian July 30th-August 1st.

The H. B. A. will be in session in the new H. B. A. Auditorium. All presidents and members who have composed songs, poetry etc. regarding the H. B. A. will have an opportunity to show their talents in the Convention, whatever you can do or whatever you may have that will make a display for yourself and the Lodge come prepared to shine. We have quite a few of our Presidents and members who have shown great talents singing, reading, poetry etc. Now is your time.

### WAYNESBORO

Dear Editor: Please give me space in the columns of the Echo to say a few words concerning lodge No. 119. We the members of lodge No. 119 are doing nicely in every respect. Look out Presidents, No. 119 is getting ready for the 90c assessment. We have realized from a little picnic that was given on the fourth of July, $22.50. We took in eleven applications for membership to our lodge.

Rev. J. M. Moore, President.


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## NOTICE

Dear Presidents: You will bare in mind that you are to collect ninety cents from each member of your Lodge and report same at the Convention. Please do not wait and write a letter stating that you have not received your Convention Blank. The report blanks have been out for about one month. We are earnestly urging that each member pay ninety cents (90c) As we have stated heretofore the ninety cents (90) is for the purpose of catching up with some of our outstanding accounts which incurred from our building project. All presidents, who report ninety cents (90c) for all of their members in the Convention will be given badges of honor.

## PICAYUNE

Rev. R. L. Young, Dear Sir: I am writing you a few words relative to our meeting in Picayune, Miss. with president Aaron Trotter and his good folks. We had a wonderful meeting on July 7th, and a packed house.

A wonderful program was rendered by ledge No. 373 and responded by Mr. Hamelton. We added fifteen applications for membership to lodge No. 373. Everybody present seemed to have enjoyed the meeting.

J. E. Durr, Agent.

## DALEVILLE

Dear Editor: Please give me space in the Echo to say a few words regarding this wonderful Order. Lodge No. 122 is doing fine. We have taken in two new members since the last Board, and have one application on file for membership to our lodge. We are expecting several unfinancial members to renew. I wish to state that lodge No. 122 is doing nicely.

We, as local presidents, ought to be more determine to do the right thing than ever, because we are being tested on every corner. If we will just teach the right thing to our members we will not have any trouble. We are wonderfully blessed to have these leaders as we have. Jesus said, if I be lifted up, I will draw all men unto me. So if we just look carefully, we can see our leaders, drawing men with their magnetic power. Hurrah for the Youngs.

A. L. Brown, President.

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## VANCE

Dear Editor: Please give me space in the columns of the Echo to let the many readers know what lodge No. 434 is doing. We are small in membership, but we are trying to do real H. B. A. work.

On our last meeting night we had with us Brother A. M. Walker, who is no more than a real christian gentleman. He is fighting a good fight for the H. B. A. He made a wonderful talk in our meeting. Brother Walker is lifting the banner high for the Lord and for the H. B. A. We are trying to win the victory then we will wear the crown. I am praying that No. 434 will go over the top. I hope to live an H. B. A. and die likewise. I wish to state to the other lodges and presidents, that lodge No. 434 is cleaning up new ground.

Lucinda Stubb, Secretary,
R. D. Moore, President.

## HATTIESBURG

Dear Editor: Allow me space in the Echo to say, that I have just returned from a trip on the G. M. & N. Rail-Road, visiting the lodges on that line

I encouraged them to make round reports for the July Convention. I visited H. B. A. No. 357 with Prof. H. D. Hartfield, president, McLain, Miss. No. 368 with Brother Jeff Anderson as local president, Royce, Miss. and No. 433 with Brother J. W. Fisher as local president Royce. Miss.

I wish to state that I left the H. B. A. fire burning on this line. I renewed some members in lodge No. 433, who had become unfinancial.

Yours for the Order,
A. J. Barnett, Agent.

## NEWHEBRON

Dear Editor: Give me space in the columns of the Echo to let the readers know that lodge No. 342 is doing fine. We are working hard to increase our membership. We are expecting to meet the July Convention with a round report. Pray that our lodge will increase in membership.

Yours for the Order,
A. G. Garner, President.

## MERIDIAN

Dear Editor: We are glad to say that Merigold lodge No. 253 is doing nicely, and has been since it was set up by the General Secretary three years ago, with seventeen members.

Merigold lodge No. 253 has come to the conclusion, that it has no time to stop seeking new members, because of the deaths, and constant emigration of members. Not only No. 253, but any lodge will find itself at a low ebb, that ceases to advocate the cause of the H B. A.

I would like to say to all of the honor presidents, or "big mucket-to mucks, as I might say, such as McLeod, D. L. Harris, Rankins, C. A. Neeley, J. M. Thompson, Asa Walker, J. J. Pickett, Thos. Blakney, Mrs. E. A. B. Harper, and a many others, that I have not mentioned, I have been writing your quarterly report receipts for sometime, and it has been of much inspiration to see the splendid reports that have been made by you. But listen mucket-to-mucks, E. F. Young, Jr. and his band feel that if your lodges are older than our lodge, that you have led long enough, and from a short while after this, if you don't want to get run over and trampled in the dirt, just step to one side, and let us pass raise the flag and lead you on to victory. Now, meet me at the Convention with a round report and some more.

Merigold Lodge No. 253
E. F. Young, Jr. President.

## SILVER CREEK

Dear Editor:

This is to let you know that Lodge number 347 is doing nicely. We met last Saturday on our regular meeting day and at the request of little Annie Mae Damper, we the members of Lodge No. 347 are asking you to send Annie Mae Damper fifteen dollars ($15.00) of said money willed to her by her Brother, Willie Damper. Done by orders of Lodge No. 347

C. W. Weathersby, President.

Oree Weathersby, Secretary.

Don't miss the great parade and base all game during the H. B. A. Convention. The annual address will be delivered on Wednesday night by Prof. J. E. Johnson of Prentiss Industrial Institute, Prentiss, Miss.

The Rev. Geo. C. Parker will preach Thursday night. Rev. Parker is Editor of the Christian Index of the C. M. E. Church.

Lemonade and ice cream will be served to the delegates free.

### MACON

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the columns of the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 381 has lost a faithful member, in person of Brother Hampton Fleming. He died July 1st, 1930. We regret his passing, and are praying that our lost is heaven's gain.

Rev. E. C. Spann, President.

### LAMBERT

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let many readers know that lodge No. 387 is doing fine. We are trusting in the Lord. We are working to put the H. B. A. on top and we trust that it will go over the top. We want the memers of the Holbrook Benevolent Association to pray for our lodge to increase in membership.

We have one of the best H. B. A. agents, in the person of A. M. Walker as any body has in the country. We would make rapid progress if the Association had more Walkers. Mr. Walker is doing splendid work in this section and we love him.

W. B. Humble, Reporter.

### WAYNESBORO

Dear Editor: Please allow me just a word in the little paper so I can let the State know how we are getting along. I think we are doing fine. We have made six new members since the June Board, and got certificates for same. We have eight application blanks on file for membership to our lodge. How do you think that is doing? I think that is alright. What do you say aboutit? I want to say to all of the presidents in the different places, think of meeting the Board with $144.05. We are working in order that our report will be $200.00 and something instead of $144.05. So boys, you just well to get on your job, because I am gone. I want all to see it right and let me have the September Board. If I am fortunate in getting the September Board I declare I will be just where I want to be. I want to get seventy-five new members on that day.

Members, presidents, and friends, don't be uneasy about lodge No. 190 taking care of the Board. So we are looking for the September Board. So please don't ask for it let it come back here and I will show the State what we can do. So boys, let me go on and you may come on behind me, because I have not got time to wait for you.

Yours in Christ,

D. L. Harris, President.

### MACON

Dear Editor; Please give me space in the Echo to let the readers know that the members of lodge No. 298 have lost a faithful member, in the person of sister Ida Williams. Sister Williams passed from labor to reward June 15th, 1930. Her death was a shock to the community and to everyone, who knew her. Sister Williams leaves to mourn her passing four devoted children and a host of friends. We trust our lost will be heaven's gain.

P. L. Bush, Reporter.

### BUCATUNNA

Dear Rev. Young: Please give me space in the Echo to say that Rising Star lodge No. 214 has lost one of its members in the person of Sister Nancy Everett. We received sister Everett by transfer from H. B. A. No. 294 of which Mr. C. L. McLaughlin is local president. We received her in lodge No. 214 for her convenience. She had moved from her home lodge and could not attend it regularly as she desired. We received her June 21st and she died June 27th. Being sick about thirty minutes.

She leaves to mourn her passing a loving husband, one daughter and a host of friends. Sister Everett was a faithful member to her church and lodge, and was loved by all who knew her. We knew sister Everett before she moved to this town and were very glad to have her connect her membership with us. We are praying that our lost is heaven's gain. Her remains were laid to rest in the Antoach cemetery, and was buried with H. B. A. honors, with Rev. P. D. Dixon officiating.

Rev. J. L. Story, President.

### NOTICE

If you fail to get your Echo, please notify the office immediately, and we will kinkly mail the one you failed to get.

### MONTROSE

Rev. R. L. Young, Dear Editor: Please give me space in the columns of the Echo to say to the many readers that we the members of lodge No. 285 are doing niceiy. We are wide awake and are moving forward.

H. A. Morgan, President.

### NOTICE

We are planning to make this Convention one of the biggest and best in the history of the Association. We are still getting homes ready for the delegates. I am asking each president and visitor to write me a postal card, in order that I may get you a good home.

Presidents, ig you all are coming by rail be sure to see your ticket agent and get a round t ip ticket for one ways fare plus one tenth. We are getting a home for you. Are you going to accept it or not?

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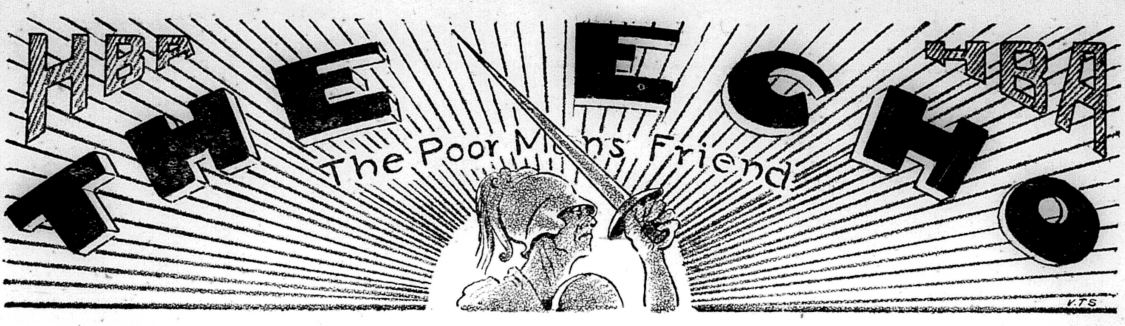


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## BROOKHAVEN

Dear Sir: I am writing you a few lines, asking your permission to let Lodge No. 330 have one of the September Boards. Quite a few people are asking for the September Board, and will consider it a real treat. Since I am the only woman president in this District, I want to show the people of this District what a woman can do with the co-operation of headquarters, and Almighty God.

I am expecting you all to accept my invitation. The place is four miles of Brookhaven, on the highway. You don't have to get off the main road.

I am as ever,

Mrs. Rosa Scarbough.

## PICAYUNE

Dear Editor: Please allow me space to report our work in your paper. The H. B. A. Lodge No. 373, Picayune, Miss., is progressing fine. The membership is constantly growing. We are very pleased to mention the visit of our State Agent, Mr. J. E. Durr, July 7th-8th, which was a successful visit here, one full of zest and inspiration to our lodge and community. Mr. J. E. Durr, wrote up six new members, and several old members renewed their membership. Mr. Durr was really a power while here.

The recording secretary, Mrs. Gains, rendered a program which was very interesting. Those who appeared on program were: Prof. A. J. Hamilton, President of the Afro-American Sons and Daughters, who delivered an address. He is very much interested in the H. B. A. and co-operates with us in any worthy cause. He is a personal friend of the President of the H. B. A. Mr. Trotter

The H. B. A. rally was very successful $7.50 was raised by a few members. This little sum was added to the home treasure. We have had no sickness to report for something. The H. B. A. officers were properly installed by Mr. J. E. Durr, During his visit here.

I pray that we will continue to succeed, and that our membership will continue growing.

## Whynot

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 5 is doing nicely.

We had our anniversary sermon preached on the fourth Sunday in May. We had a wonderful time. The honorable M. S. Knott, General Chaplain, and his wife were present. Rev. Knott preached a wonderful sermon, which was enjoyed by all present. After the sermon a wonderful program was rendered. A very nice collection was raised, after which we adjourned for dinner.

B. F. Welch, president.

## Waynesboro

Dear Editor:- Please give me space in the columns of the Echo to say a few words to let the state know how lodge No. 190 is getting along.

We had our anniversary sermon on July the 13, 1930 by Rev. H. Ray, and I want to let you know, that he preached a soul stirring sermon, and gave a lot of instruction in behalf of the Holbrook Benevolent Association. After the sermon we raised a nice sum of $20.15, and took in five applications for membership to our lodge. We have eight application blanks on file for membership to our lodge. How is that getting along friends?

What do you think about this; from July 13, 1929 to July 13, 1930, we have taken in seventy two (72) new members. Received five by transfer cards and thirteen renewed. We have transferred seven members to other lodges. Paid out for doctor and medicine bill and other purposes $400.00. Total amount paid out for all purposes $1122.00. We have in treasure $38.00, and a clean record in the doctor's office, and in the drug store. What do you think we are doing? Dont you think that is pretty good?

Friends, I know this one thing, and that is this; the H. B. A. can not run without the people and the people can't die satisfied without the money. I am working hard to be able to go to the Board in December with about $200.00. I wish to the good Lord, that all of the presidents would stick together, and do all that we can to boost our concern. I want to inform all concerned, that you can not get anywhere standing still, neither will you get anything. There is an old saying "A setting hen will not get fat", and Brothers, if we don't get up and move about, we can not grow our lodges. I have learned one thing, and that is this: a president, who has not got something to do is no good. A president gets honor by the work he puts over. So by our good works we are known. Dear friends, please stand by me, and I will stand by you, and I declare unto you we will put the program over. I beg to remain.

Yours for the Order,
D. L. Harris

## NOTICE TO LOCAL PRESIDENTS

We are receiving quite a few application blanks for membership. Some of yon are negligent in filling out these blanks. You do not give the the name of the application correctly. If we fill out the policies and mail them to you, you return the policies stating, that we made a mistake in filling them out.

When the mistake is made by you. The policiies are filled according to the application blanks made out and sent to us.

Secretary

## SHUBUTA

Please give lodge No. 222 a space in the "Echo" to let other Lodges know that we lost one of our members namely, sister Reather Carter. She leaves to mourn a husband, ten children. five sisters. four brothers and a host of friends. She was a member of the H. B. A. for five years and was loyal to her president and friends. We hope that our lost is heaven's gain. Sister Carter died July 13th.

J.W. Polk, President

## H. B. A. BOARD NOTICE COLLECTION $1.30 PER MEMBER

Each president is requested to collect $1.30 per member for the September Boards.

The Board will meet as follows:
Macon, Monday Sept. 22, 1930.
Stonewall, Tuesday Sept. 23, 1930
Dekalb, Wednesday Sept. 24 1930.
Mathesville, Friday Sept. 26, 1930.
Summerland Monday Sept. 29, 1930.
Chrystal Springs, October 1, 1930
Blue Springs Thursday Oct. 2, 1930
Gulfport, Friday October 3, 1930.
Marks, Tuesday October 7, 1930.

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### NOTICE

Dear Agents, and Presidents:

Since we have had a hard year's work and have accomplished many good things as to the upbuilding of the Association, let us look forward to do a greater work the latter part of 1930, and 1931 than we have done in the history of the Association. We should do more, because we have more presidents and more agents to do this work.

Agents let us stop and think a minute. Do you know that we are the beginning of these local lodges? and you can see, that we play a strong part in this Ass'n. After we organize, we turn everything in the hands of the local president, and he with his faithful members collect up these moneys, and makes his or her report to the office. Therefore, if we have success in this Association it will first have to come through us.

If the members die fast you may know, that some of us took them in, and they were not taken in at the office, and if they live a long time, and cause the death claims to be low, I want you to understand that we did it, and not the office. I want to call your attention to the lodges, that J. E. Durr, and myself have organized since the last convention. We are not boasting about the work that we have done, but I feel that we have done just about as well as anyone. We added between six and seven hundred members to the Ass'n. and out of that number, we have not had one to die up to this date. I can't tell what the future is going to bring, and all the members that have been added since we left, we tried to leave honest and true men and women in charge so that they might do likewis

What do you all think of that? There may be other agents, that have done just about as well, but they can't beat it. You all can see that it is up to us. I want to have a communication with all the agents, and as many local presidents as possible, and let us get together, and decide how to put the H. B. A. on the map this fall and winter.

I wrote an article to the Echo last January trying to touch all of the Agents and local presidents, and adding new members, that you and your lodge feel that are good risks for the Association. I also called your attention in trying to make your March report be as good or better than the December report, and I feel, that there have been great things accomplished through those efforts, that I put forth and with the change, that have been made in your Quarterly report blanks. Let us do our best to grow our membership, and add new lodges with members, that we feel are good risks for the Association.

Yours for a better H. B. A.

R. W. Young, Agent.

### OLD MAN HARD TIME

We have been complaining for quite a while about hard times. We did not think that we could have made it through last winter, since it was the coldest winter, that we have ever witnessed in the South, but through our continious work, and prayers, the Lord has taken care of us.

Now, we have entered Spring and Summer, this spring was unfavorable to the farmers in getting an early start on their farms. And this summer, has been one of the hottest that we have ever witnessed. Now, what shall the harvest be? The harvest will not be very much unless we put forth every effort to can and preserve all of the peaches, apples, blackberries, and everything else, that can be canned and is eatible.

Presidents, I want you all to advise everybody to prepare to make this a great harvest by having plenty of food for the winter days. This is a good lesson to us, since it is a good one, let us study it well.

If we have been paying forty ($40.00) dollars and fifty ($50.00) dollars for a suit of clothes and a thirty-five ($35.00) dollar suit will wear just as long and answer the same purpose, why not use the one that will help us take the advantage of the dark days of the future.

If you are paying $1.50 to $2.50 a month for Insurance, and you can get an H. B. A. policy for around 75c a month, you had better take the advantage of those things before the winter days draw near.

I am wishing for you an abundent harvest.

R. W. Young, Agent.

### MERIDIAN

Dear Editor: Please give me space in the columns of the Echo to let the friends, members, and non-members of the H. B. A. know, that lodge No. 253 has lost a good member, in the person of Rev. H. K. Roberts, who is well known throughout the state. Rev. Roberts was loved by all who knew him. He was a good christian gentleman. At the time of death Rev Roberts was pastor of Rose Hill M. E. Church. He was in the pulpit delivering his message, when God deemed it necessary, that he come up high. His funeral was attended from Rose Hill M. E. Church, with the District Supt., Rev. D. L. Morgan, officiating, assisted by Rev. M. T. J. Howard. He leaves to mourn his passing a loving wife, one daughter, two sons and a host of friends and relatives.

His remains were laid to rest in the Marion Cemetery with H. B. A. and Masonic honors.

E. F. Young, Jr., President

M. L. Larkin, Reporter.


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Agents let us stop and think a minute. Do you know that we are the beginning of these local lodges? and you can see, that we play a strong part in this Ass'n. After we organize, we turn everything in the hands of the local president, and he with his faithful members collect up these moneys, and makes his or her report to the office. Therefore, if we have success in this Association it will first have to come through us.

If the members die fast you may know, that some of us took them in, and they were not taken in at the office, and if they live a long time, and cause the death claims to be low, I want you to understand that we did it, and not the office. I want to call your attention to the lodges, that J. E. Durr, and myself have organized since the last convention. We are not boasting about the work that we have done, but I feel that we have done just about as well as anyone. We added between six and seven hundred members to the Ass'n. and out of that number, we have not had one to die up to this date. I can't tell what the future is going to bring, and all the members that have been added since we left, we tried to leave honest and true men and women in charge so that they might do likewis

What do you all think of that? There may be other agents, that have done just about as well, but they can't beat it. You all can see that it is up to us. I want to have a communication with all the agents, and as many local presidents as possible, and let us get together, and decide how to put the H. B. A. on the map this fall and winter.

I wrote an article to the Echo last January trying to touch all of the Agents and local presidents, and adding new members, that you and your lodge feel that are good risks for the Association. I also called your attention in trying to make your March report be as good or better than the December report, and I feel, that there have been great things accomplished through those efforts, that I put forth and with the change, that have been made in your Quarterly report blanks. Let us do our best to grow our membership, and add new lodges with members, that we feel are good risks for the Association.

Yours for a better H. B. A.

R. W. Young, Agent.

### OLD MAN HARD TIME

We have been complaining for quite a while about hard times. We did not think that we could have made it through last winter, since it was the coldest winter, that we have ever witnessed in the South, but through our continious work, and prayers, the Lord has taken care of us.

Now, we have entered Spring and Summer, this spring was unfavorable to the farmers in getting an early start on their farms. And this summer, has been one of the hottest that we have ever witnessed. Now, what shall the harvest be? The harvest will not be very much unless we put forth every effort to can and preserve all of the peaches, apples, blackberries, and everything else, that can be canned and is eatible.

Presidents, I want you all to advise everybody to prepare to make this a great harvest by having plenty of food for the winter days. This is a good lesson to us, since it is a good one, let us study it well.

If we have been paying forty ($40.00) dollars and fifty ($50.00) dollars for a suit of clothes and a thirty-five ($35.00) dollar suit will wear just as long and answer the same purpose, why not use the one that will help us take the advantage of the dark days of the future.

If you are paying $1.50 to $2.50 a month for Insurance, and you can get an H. B. A. policy for around 75c a month, you had better take the advantage of those things before the winter days draw near.

I am wishing for you an abundent harvest.

R. W. Young, Agent.

### MERIDIAN

Dear Editor: Please give me space in the columns of the Echo to let the friends, members, and non-members of the H. B. A. know, that lodge No. 253 has lost a good member, in the person of Rev. H. K. Roberts, who is well known throughout the state. Rev. Roberts was loved by all who knew him. He was a good christian gentleman. At the time of death Rev Roberts was pastor of Rose Hill M. E. Church. He was in the pulpit delivering his message, when God deemed it necessary, that he come up high. His funeral was attended from Rose Hill M. E. Church, with the District Supt., Rev. D. L. Morgan, officiating, assisted by Rev. M. T. J. Howard. He leaves to mourn his passing a loving wife, one daughter, two sons and a host of friends and relatives.

His remains were laid to rest in the Marion Cemetery with H. B. A. and Masonic honors.

E. F. Young, Jr., President

M. L. Larkin, Reporter.


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## PRENTISS

Dear Editor:
Dr. Tate, of Prentiss Normal Institute, who is visiting the H. B. A. Convention this week held at Meridian, Miss. in the H. B. A. Auditorium, states that he is having a splendid success in raising Hogs at Prentiss, Miss. He has a Stock Hog that weigh 1478 lbs. 3 years old and is 9 feet long and about 4 feet tall. Pigs for sale six weeks old are sold for $25.00 a pair or $15.00 each. These pigs weigh from 250 to 300 lbs. 1 year old
He also has a Hog Farm in Bassfield at the home of his Father-in-Law Mr. Ed Reese. These hogs weigh around 175 lbs. at six months old. Anyone wanting pigs please see Ed Reese of Bassfield or W. J. Tate at Prentiss, Miss.

## EASTABUCHIE

Dear Editor: Please give me space in the Echo to say that lodge No. 348 is doing nicely. All members are at peace and are working in harmony with one another. We are trying to do real H. B. A. work. Each member has the H. B. A. Spirit. We initiated one member on our last meeting night, and have two more for our next meeting night.
We are asking the prayers of all true H. B. A. s.

Yours for the work,
M. D. Evans.

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## LAUDERDALE

Dear Editor:
I would like to remind the many readers of the fact that, Lodge No. 30 is still in a prosperious condition. We can truthfully say that we had a wonderful Convention in our H. B. A. Auditorium. I am also calling your attention to the Soul stirring revival that was held at the Antioch Baptist Church, Lauderdale Miss. Rev. T. H. Dickson, Pastor. The meeting was conducted by Rev. H. Brown. His Sermons will be remembered by both white and colored. The meeting was begun July 27, 1930 and closed August 1st. A nice collection was raised to the amount of $50.00.

The following names paid $1.00 Friday night: Brothers G. W. Quarters, W. M. Brown, C. H. Moore, Henry Harbor, Frank Harvey, Marrion Harvey, L. V. Coats, J. R. Mosley, Elijah Gordon, Rent Harvey, Elijah Brown.
The following sisters paid 50c: Sisters Presilla Wilson M. D. Parker Henretta Price, Laura McMillian, Manervia Barefield, Fannie Coats and Arelena Cole.

REV. T. H. DICKSON, Pastor.
Prof. S. M. Harvey, Clerk.
C. W. McQuarters, Reporter.

According to the report of Rev. H. Ray, he will be in Theadsville, Miss. on the 5th Sunday in this month to preach an annual sermon for Mrs. Annie Slay and her good members of H. B. A. of 123.

We are expecting to have a wonderful meeting. All H. B. A. s and non H. B. A. s are invited to be present.

We are planning to hold a soul stirring revival at Pine Grove Baptist Church. Beginning on the second Sunday in this month. This meeting is slated to be in sesson one week. Everybody is cordially invited to attend this meeting.

Rev. H. Ray, Pastor.

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## QUITMAN

Dear Editor: This comes to inform you that Lodge No. 173 lost one of its very faithful members. Our deceased, Brother Rench McGowan was a good worker and a faithful Brother when it came to doing his part, he was never found shirking.

T. J. Dear.

Those who have paid for their H. B. A. record will be refunded $1.25 out of the $2.00 Echo and publication fee paid in the September Board.

Secretary.

## NOTICE

Dear Presidents: We have mailed out the report blanks for the September Boards. If you find it more convenient to attend some other Board, other than the one given on your report blank, you may do so.

The names and dates of meeting of the September Boards will be given else where in this issue of the Echo.

## IMPORTANT NOTICE

All members who failed to pay the 90c, may pay the 90c without paying the renewal fee in the Local Lodge. This was voted on by the members of the Convention, and all concerned felt that it would be expedient to exempt all members from paying a renewal fee, because of the hard pressed financial conditions. The General president suggested that it would be a wise step. The presidents readily, accepted by a vote, since the renewal fee goes to the Local President. No member will have to renew unless he fails to get his 90 cents to the office after the September Boards are held. It will be remembered however, that all persons who have not paid are out at their own risk.

## LAUREL

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the columns of the Echo to say a few words concerning lodge No. 275 We have had lots of knockers and falls in our lodge, but we are glad to say, that we are still pressing on with an uplifted spirit.

We had our state representative Mr. J. E. Durr, with us a few days ago, and by his good service and influence, we have gained ten (10) members. We are asking the prayers of all true H. B. A. s, who are interested in the concern as a whole.

John Blevian, President.
Bessie Kelly, Reporter.

## Collinsville, Mississippi

Dear Editor:
This is to let the many readers know that lodge No. 125, lost one of its members in the person of C. J. Glisppie who died July 21st. Brother Glisppie was faithful to his Society and Church. We hope our lost is Heaven's gain.

R. C. Cole, President.

### HATTIESBURG

Dear Editor: Please give me space in your paper to say, we had our anniversary. Rev. Kriss preached our anniversary sermon. We had with us lodge number 270 and many visiting friends. We also received two applications for membership. Amount of money received at the anniversary $14.50. We desire the prayers of all the lodges for our success. Lodge No. 205.

Ben Green, President.

### C. B. A. Convention

The C. B. A. Convention in the state of Mississippi, has just closed a very successful Convention at the Mt. Mariah Baptist Church. The Convention was well attended by the delegates, and friends who go to make up the organization.

The General President and Secretary were visitors during the second day's session. President E. L. Williams and Secretary G. O. Sims, seemed to have been on the job. The Juvenile department rendered a splendid program under the direction of Mesdames Hattie Jones, Bettie Jimerson, and Lula Wilson. The program rendered by the children was indeed interesting. We were presented to the body, to make a short talk. Our message seemed to have been well taken. Some of the active members of the Convention were those named above, together with M. A. Walker, Prof. Lanie Hall, Rev. Flynn, Rev. Hendrick, Rev. M. W. Wallace, M. A. Durr, Mrs. Elnora Williams, and others too numerous to mention. The Convention passed a resolution empowering the order to borrow money to put up the bond that is required by the state. From all indications, the C. B. A. will be successful in raising their bond money.

Rev. R. L. Young

### NEW HEBRON

Dear Sir: This is to let the many readers know that Lodge No. 343 has decided to work. We are very young, but we are coming. We would not take anything for the H. B. A. because it has done more for our community than any other organization we have ever had. It is the only organization that draws the people. Enclosed you will find a money order for $8.00 for which please send me four policies. I have about ten new members, who do not have the money for their policies at this time but will have it soon. We are getting up the 90c for the Convention.

Yours truly,

Sam Buckley.

### VANCE

Dear Sir: Please allow me a space to say a few words in behalf of Lodge No. 437. We had our installation. We had two agents, namely, B. F. Phillips, and A. M. Walker. We had a very nice time at the installation, and we are doing all we can for the up building of our lodge. One member has joined since the installation.

I have never seen our members so interested, and the Spirit of God seems to dwell among us. I am asking the prayers of you, and your friends, for our success.

J. J. Johnson, President.

### PELEHATCHIE

Dear Editor: Please give me space in the Echo to say to the many readers, that Lodge No. 416 is wide awake. We are moving onward and up-ward. I am sending the assessment money, the sum of 90c per capital. I am pleased to say that we have been blessed so far in not having any sick members. We pray that every H. B. A. Lodge will have success, and a blessing on the entire Official Staff.

I am yours in Christ,

R. A. Lucus, President.
Sylvester City, Secretary.

### VANCE

Dear Editor: Please allow the officers and members of Lodge No. 204 to give honor and gratitude to Brother Jerry Martin, President of Lodge No. 45, who was present with us July 16th; also Sister Leono Roberts, one of the members of Lodge No. 45. Lodge No. 204 gladly welcome them to come again. Brother Martin sat in the President's chair and was unmovable in his efforts to make the meeting a success. We believe Brother Martin, to be one of the many that is going over the top. We are always glad to have visitors. However, Brother A. M. Walker has been passing us up, but we are expecting him soon. Last, but not least, our own President, is holding out his hand, taking in new members, as a result of your prayers. We are soliciting prayers from all true H. B. A.s that we might succeed.

Yours fraternally,

Ben Phillips, President
Lola Whitehead, Sec'y.

### STATE LINE,

Dear Editor: Please allow me a little space in the "Echo" in order that I may be allowed to tell the many readers of what we are doing. Lodge No. 301 has been growing since June 9th. We have been taking in new members, including young men and women who are full of life.

We had five members to join on our last meeting night, and nine more to be made very soon.

Yours for the H. B. A.

C. L. Moore.

### IMPORTANT

Dear Presidents:

You are earnestly urged to collect $2.00 from your local lodge for "Echo" and publication fee. As you no doubt know, the Convention passed some years ago that each local lodge must pay $2.00 Echo and publication fee and report for one year. Please remember that we will not accept anybody's report that is not accompanied with the $2.00 "Echo" and publication fee.

Please do not go to the Boards and say that you haven't got it. If you haven't got it, please run your hands in your "Genes" and get it.

Secretary.

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## GENERAL VICE PRESIDENT SPEAKS.

I take this method of expressing thanks to my friends for the support given me in the convention, as a candidate for the office of General Vice President protempore.

I know this position of honor bestowed upon me by you, is a token of your confidence in me. I am also aware of the fact that you in return are expecting service, which is no more than reasonable that you should I hope to recompense your loyalty by doing my utmost to discharge the duties which may be involved upon me during my tenture of office; be it long or short.

You and the other General Officers shall have my full co-operation in putting over any program that tends to ma' e the Association bigger and better.

A. T. Shadrick.

## HATTIESBURG

Dear Editor: I am writing you to let you know that lodge No. 205 lost one of its faithful members, in the person of sister Martha Rushing. Sister Rushing died July 30, 1930. She leaves a son, four daughters and a brother to morn her lost.

Sister Rushing was a very faithful worker in her lodge also her Church and was loyal to her Society and all who knew her. We pray that our lost is heaven's gain.

Ben Green, President.

## COLLINSVILL

Dear Editor: To the H. B. A. Association I would like to let the many readers know that lodge No. 125, lost one of its members in the person of Brother Charley Glasper, who joined our lodge in 1921. Brother Glasper died July 21, 1930. We are sure that our lost is Heaven's gain.

Armetter Nichols, Secretary.

## THE GENERAL SECRETARY VISITS SAINT LOUIS MO.

The General Secretary was called to Saint Louis on August 6th, for a special meeting of the building committee of the C. M. E. CHURCH, that was appointed at the recent General Conference held in Louisville, KY. The Committee selected three or four sites for the purpose of erecting a new publishing house. One site's to be used for the publishing house. He is also on the Educational Committee appointed by the recent General Conference. This committee is to meet in Memphis, Tenn. August 21st.

## NOTICE

The H. B. A. Charters are now ready. All presidents desiring may come to the office and get their charter, or mail 36c in stamps together with the name of the lodge, and we will mail you your charter.

All presidents, who have not got their H. B. A. records, may send 10c in stamps to cover the postage on said record, and we will mail you your record free of charge.

## JULY CONVENTION CLOSES SUCCESSFULLY.

The H. B. A. Convention of the State of Mississippi, was called to order Wednesday morning, July 30th. at 9:00 a. m. by the General President Rev. E. F. Young. A splendid delegation was present at the opening. All the delegates present seemed to have been happy over the work of the Association. The people of Meridian royally entertained the Convention.

The local program was good, a splendid Address was delivered to the delegates by Dr. Lawrence F. Brooks. The annual Address was delivered by Prof. J. E. Johnson, of Prentiss, Miss. The delegation was well pleased to hear Prof. Johnson, and to enjoy the beautiful singing by his female Quartett. Prof. Johnson and the Prentiss constituency added grace and dignity to the convention.

The Honorable Thomas L. Bailey and Judge Eugene Seals of the City were present on the second day. Mr. Bailey delivered a timely address which was an inspiration to our people. We then presented Judge Eugene Seals, who spoke for a few minutes but to the point. We are always glad to have our white friends who are interested in us to pay us a visit.

On Thursday night Dr. George C. Parker, Editor of the Christian Index delivered one of the best addresses that we have had the pleasure to listen to. His subject was "The Building Of a Race". Dr. Parker is an orator from the manner born.

Quite a few changes were made in the Constitution. Some of the major new laws were:

First. Appointing of a standing committee by the General Body for the purpose of trying General officers in the absence of the General Body. The committee is composed of nine persons.

Second. No person who is not a member of some Evangelistic Church shall be permitted to hold the office of President or Vice President in any local lodge.

Third. Collection of finance in the Boards are to be under the supervision of the General Secretary.

Fourth. Persons who have been members of the H. B. A. but have become unfinancial, may renew by a majority vote. Whereas here-to-fore, the ballot box was used.

Fifth. Wills may be made in the presence of the local President of the lodge, of which the person making a will is a member, and in the presence of one other witness. Quite a few minor laws will be found in the new Constitution.

## VICE PRESIDENT'S SEAT DECLARED VACANT

It was necessary that the seat of the Vice President of the H. B. A. be declared vacant, because of some irregularities in the work of Rev. I. C. Harper. There were 6 votes against declaring the seat vacant and 79 in favor of the seat being declared vacant. The law provides that it would take two-thirds of all votes cast to remove a General Officer. The nominating committee was appointed to nominate persons for the office of the Vice President.

Profs. Thomas Blakeney A. T. Shadrick and Agent R. W. Young were nominated. On the first ballot no one was elected. Prof. Shadrick was the leading candidate, Prof. Blakney and R. W. Young tied. On the second ballot Prof. Blakeney withdrew from the race. Prof. Shadrick was elected with a big majority.

We hope that Professor Shedrick will make a valuable Vice President. His future is before him, and he can easily make good if he can find himself in position to adopt himself with the growing and progressive plans of the H. B. A. This is the second time that we have had to elect a Vice President, to carry out the unexpired term of some one else.

Let us all pray, work, and hope for a successful and co-operative administration.

Secretary.

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### TENTATIVE

The following named persons have been sent in to the office to be paid off in the September Board. We have three or four deaths that should have come ahead of some of these that are now being published, however, the presidents failed to get the notices in on time, therefore, we published the names as they are sent in.

We are urging each president to abide by the law and get the death certificates in within eight days after the members have deceased. Please do your best to collect from all your members. If you expect that we continue to pay $220.00 or more, it is going to be absolutely necessary that you collect from all of your members.

1—T. H. Holton, No. 114, C. S. Hampton President, Dekalb, Mississippi.
2—Flora Spann, No. 324, Silas Walker, President, Macon, Mississippi.
3—Ed Holbrook, No. 298, Mrs. Pearl Bush, President, Macon, Mississippi.
4—Channie Harris, No. 27, Mrs. F. C. Cooley, President, Meridian, Mississippi.
5—Henry Jackson, No. 185, Walter Tate President, Brooksville, Mississippi.
6—Hattie Sams, No. 413, Johnnie Brewer, President, Deerbrook, Mississippi.
7—Mellie Hoskin, No. 92, Clem Brown, President, Laurel, Mississippi.
8—Fred Chatman, No. 119, Rev. J. M. Moore, President, Waynesboro, Mississippi.
9—Oscar Hawkin, No. 130, Buril Statin, President, Hiwanee, Mississippi.
10—India Whitlock, No. 259, Sam Croft, President, Enterprise, Mississippi.
11—Ben Graham, No. 185, Walter Tate, President, Brooksville, Mississippi.
12—Indinola Stokes, No. 153, C. J. Pickett, President, Desoto, Mississippi.
13—Ed Gaines, No. 270, A. J. Barnett, President, Hattiesburg, Mississippi.
14—E. C. Cole, No. 50, E. C. Cole, President, Meridian, Mississippi.
15—Will A. Lovelace, No. 383, N. M. Perry, President, Paulett, Mississippi.
16—Carolina Durr, No. 133, W. J. Rankin, President, Magee, Mississippi.
17—Bob Boyd, No. 64, J. G. Gulley, President, Enondale, Mississippi.
18—Mary E. Busby, No. 92, Clem Brown, President, Laurel, Mississippi.
19—Alfred Trotter, No. 82, Thos. Blakeney, President, Quitman, Mississippi
20—Emma Taylor, No. 45, J. M. Martin, President, Lambert, Mississippi.
21—Yancy Brown, No. 92, Clem Brown, President, Laurel, Mississippi.
22-Henry Butler, No. 66, R. B. Scroggins, President, Richton, Mississippi.
23—Ida Williams, No. 298, Mrs. Ida Williams, President, Macon, Mississippi.
24—Margrett Pettigree, No. 40, Mrs. Hattie Smith, President, Toomsuba, Mississippi.
25—Tom Hornes, No. 127, G. W. Heard, President, Shubuta, Mississippi.
26—Hamp Flemming, No. 381, E. C. Spann, President, Macon, Mississippi.
27—J. W. Picken, No. 148, C. H. Moody, President, Soso, Mississippi.
28—Carvia Brooks, No. 30, Mrs. Annie Blanks, President, Lauderdale, Mississippi.
29—Carrie Haney, No. 349, Mrs. Olivia Lang, President, Newton, Mississippi.
30—Marshal Wilson, No. 253, E. F. Young Jr., President, Meridian, Mississippi.
31—Lue Barber, No. 133, W. J. Rankin, President, Magee, Mississippi.
32—Monroe Thompson, No. 157, W. L. Wilson, President, Dekalb, Mississippi.
33—Henry Pringle, No. 3, R. W. Radcliff, President, Russell, Mississippi.
34—Leona Johnson, No. 69, I. English, President, Meridian, Mississippi.
35—Lillie Young, No. 381, E. C. Spann, President, Macon, Mississippi.
36—James Murry, No. 116, Matthew Rowe, President, Mt. Olive, Mississippi
37—H. K. Roberts, No. 253, E. F. Young, Jr., President, Meridian, Mississippi.

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## MERIDIAN

Dear Editor: Allow me space through the columns of the Echo to let the many members and friends know that lodge No. 253 had its election on wednesday evening August 7th, with agent R. W. Young acting as chairman. The following officers were re-elected for another two years:

Mr. E. F. Young, Jr. President.
Mrs. Velma Young, Secretary.
Mrs. Rosa Strayhorn, Treasurer.
Mrs. Julia Nickerson and Mrs Rosa Strayhorn; Sick committee.

The folloing named persons were elected.

Mr. T. C Miller, Vice President.
Mrs. Mildred Gains, Asst. Sec'y.

This election was conducted from start to finish with dignity and grace by Agent R. W. Young. After the election he made some timely remarks, which were enjoyed by all present. Each and every member of lodge No. 253 left the lodge room with a determination to make No. 253 a bigger and better lodge.

Reporter.

## HARD TIMES

The above subject is being discussed from every angle and by all classes of peoples at the present time. If a person tells us, times are not hard, we almost consider that person to have an unbalanced mind. Let us be frank, are times really hard? There is a large number of persons, who have the same job now, that they had two or three years ago, and a number of them are getting a better salary than they got sometime ago, and yet, we hear the cry Hard Times. I am of the opinion, that we as a race throw away to much. You may go to most any home after a meal has been served, and the inmates of that home have eaten, and you will find enough scraps that are thrown away to feed another person.

If the Negro race will stop being so extravagent, and will consider the little things, we will be more independent. One great trouble with us is, we are trying to live and act like the white folks. Hardly would you think, that if we check up on ourselves, we would find that we are throwing away one third of a living in some way every day of our lives. If a man is going out to spend money he should first know how much he has. After he has spent his money, he should check up on the returns from same.

When I was a boy it was a rare thing to throw away cold corn bread and biscuits. If a biscuit or a piece of corn bread would happen to fall on the floor while the children were at the table eating, there was a big scramble and a lot of screaming scat! scat! scat! We were afraid that the old cat, who was always around looking for the crumbs would get the biscuit or bread. In these days of hard times if a piece of bread falls on the floor, we don't think of saying scat and neither do we think of eating it. It is so nasty that we throw it away. When I was a boy my mother use to cook "Cush". I have never eaten anything that tasted better than good old "Cush." Cush is made from cold corn bread, with a little salt, pepper, butter etc., to season it. Nobody thinks of making cush now out of the bread that is left, but most of us throw it away. When I was a boy biscuits were such rare things, that we did not have any left over to get cold. I see biscuits left over now even at my own home. Most of them are thrown away, when as a matter of fact they could easily be converted into biscuit pudding, or something else just as good. Not many of us pay any attention to a penny these days. Not many of us consider 5c and 10c. The times are so hard that it takes dollars to attract our attention.

When I was a boy, I delighted to eat good old water-melon on hot summer days, that had been pulled and placed under the bed to cool, but now I feel that I can not eat a melon if it has not been on ice a half day.

Are times really hard? If so, why not act as if times are hard. Friends we must stop throwing away the little things. Little things make big things, and little things count.

Secretary.

## NEW H. B. A. BUTTON

We now have a new H. B. A. Button, which has on it Poor Man's Friend, P. M. F. and H. B. A. engraved in it. The color of the Button is gold, white and blue, and sells for 50c to the members with a discount to the Local Presidents.

It is the most attractive and the most beautiful H. B. A. emblem that we have ever had. Quite a few of the Presidents purchased some of the buttons in the Convention. All members who desire these emblems may order them through thier presidents.

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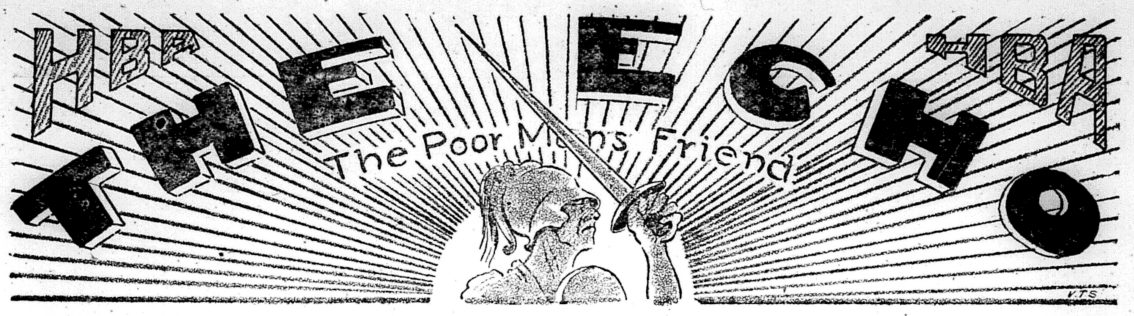


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## WAYNESBORO

Dear Editor: This comes to let you know that I have received the circular letter relative to the Dispensation. I wish to say that I was too glad to receive this letter.

I want to say to the presidents, that I am comeing, I have got what I want and, all I want now is a little time. Look to hear from me in the December Board.

It is need-less for me to tell you how proud I am to have this Dispensation, but I will say, watch the effects of this Dispensation. I want to inform all presidents to be on the watchout, because the king of the forest is out. I wish to thank you all very very much for opening the gateway to the H. B. A.

D. L Harris, President.

## BY THESE THINGS MEN LIVE

(Selected)

I live by the clustering blossoms of May,
The rose-strewn abundance of June
By the breeze in the trees, and the scent of the hay,
The glory of night, and of noon.

I live by the music the nightingale sings,
In the hush of the twilight hours;
By the exquisite bloom on the butterfly's wings,
And the hues of the midsummer flowers.

I live by the splendor which burns in the sky,
And the high stars glittering sheen;
By the hills of heaven where the snowdrifts lie,
And the prairies rolling green.

I live by a place in the strenuous race
To the goal of a high desire;
By the shadow of God that falls on my face,
As I kneel at the alter fire.

I live by the faith of the great Son of God,
Who once walked in fair Galilee,
By the glory which shines on the way that He trod
When He passed on to Calvary.

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If you failed to get your Quarterly report blank, please notify the office immediately, stating that you have not as yet received your report blank for the September Board.

## THANKS

Experience is a great lesson. Experience and contact help to give us a broad vision provided however, there is a foundation for the building of experience etc.

I am very thankful for the experience that I have had in dealing with our people, I am also thankful because of the contact.

In the recent Convention held in the H. B. A. Auditorium, I had scores of friends to come to me and commend me for the manly position and stand that I took regarding certain matters. My friends told me that I was right, stand pat. But most of them seemed to have had one advice to give me, and that was keep cool. Some of them no doubt thought that I was turning a deaf ear to their advice, but what they were saying to me, was sinking deep. I have never felt that I knew too much to be advised by the man who sometimes feel that my position puts me above him, I do not mean to say that I can always act in the way that I am advised, but I can truthfully say that the advice is considered. A large number of the local Presidents have discussed matters with me and gave their advice along certain lines, and I have found the advice to be safe and sound, a number of times. Why should I feel that I know it all, and have more sense than anybody else. A high position does not make a man but the man makes the position. The office of General Secretary will be honored and dignified provided the Secretary has common sense to the extent that he can respect all Presidents and members.

I know that I say things at times and no doubt do things that do not always meet your approval, but that is nothing strange, you do the same. But when it comes to the common horse sense in the things that make up a better H. B. A. I believe that we are together. I wish to thank the many friends of the past Convention who stood loyally by every proposition that was recommended by me. This tells me that I must be careful as to what I present to you for your consideration. Again I am very grateful and thankful for your loyal support in the past Convention. There was no time that a vote was taken by the order but what 90 to 99 per cent of all present and voting, were with me.

Secretary.

## QUITMAN

Dear Rev. Young: You will find enclosed a remittance to cover seven members of my lodge who failed to report the 90c Building assessment in the Convention. You will also find a remittance for eleven (11) certificates.

Forward me a book of application blanks by return mail. I am out and need some. Send a whole book. If there was ever an opportunity this is one. I am planning to meet you and the other presidents in the September Board at Stonewall on the 23rd with a round report for lodge No. 213. I wish to say, that our lodge is doing fine and growing right sharply.

Ed. McLemore, President.

## POPLARVILLE

Dear Rev. Young: I received your letter stating that a dispensation is now on. The total amount for joining fee and policy fee is $1.00. I think that is fine, and I am going to do my best to send an order in a few days. Please send me some application blanks by return mail.

W. C. McDuffie, President.

## NOTICE

All presidents, entertaining the September Boards, are kindly asked to send the name of the church or school house to the office, in order that we might publish same through the next issue of the Echo. Please send the name of the church or school house and how to get there.

## NOTICE TO PRESIDENTS

Dear presidents, quite a few of your letters are being returned to the office unclaimed by you, if you have moved, and have a new address please notify the office, in order that we might change same on our address book, and you will not be delayed in getting your mail.

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## AFROS HOLD BIG MEETING AT HATTIESBURG

A few days ago the Afro-American Sons and Daughters held their Annual Session at Hattiesburg. We happened to pass through the City on the second Day's Session, and we saw the members of this Grand Body in Session. We were sorry that we did not have an opportunity to spend sometime in Hattiesburg, but a special Committee was called to meet in Memphis, Tennesee, and being a member of this committee, we had to rush to Meridian for the next train.

Rev. I. C. Harper was entertaining the Convention and he seemed to have been putting things over in high class style. We were reminded of the H. B. A. Convention held in Hattiesburg sometime ago, so royally entertained through the efforts of my friend Harper.

All indications pointed toward a successful Afro meeting.

## MARRIAGE

Miss Emma Beatrice Hill and Mr. Frank Eubanks were united in holy Wedlock Tuesday Night 8 p. m. August 26th. They were joined together by Rev. Roy L. Young, Pastor of Newell Chapel C. M. E. Church.

The Wedding was quite an elaborate affair. Quite a number of white friends witnessed the occasion. Mr. Eubanks is a native of Birmingham Alabama, while Miss Hill is one of our own young ladies of Complete, Miss. and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Hill.

Their future home will be of this City. A large number of presents was presented to them.

The following named presidents have sent to the office for certificates since the dispensation has been on:
John Chaney, No. 84, Meridian,
J. S. Rogers No. 326, Columbia,
Sam Jasper No. 410, Quitman,

## JUVENILE BOARD A SUCCESS

The Juvenile Board was held Wednesday August 20th in the H. B. A. Building and was a success.

The reason suggests itself to me that the Juvenile Department should have a wide circulation, and if each president would take an interest, and do his and her best to put the Juvenile Department over, and give it the proper attention, it would not be long before we would have a great body, equal to that of the H. B. A. proper. The training of the children should be the prime object of this race of ours. Let me ask you fathers and mothers a question, what do you expect your children to be? Have you thought over it for one time? If so, please let me hear from you through the columns of the Echo as to what you think of this Department.

I am now speaking to the parents who love their children. We are trying to make a place for the boys and girls, and we now have the best opportunity that has ever been offered through any organization. The cost isn't much. Why not come on and let's go. I am expecting to hear from you at an early date as to your thoughts relative to this department Tell what you want others to know. Some of the presidents and guides start off as if they were going to make things hum in their localities, but it isn't long before they stop because the growth of this department doen't increase as rapidly as they feel it should. They get discouraged and stop, but in order for any concern to make progress, the leaders must be courageous, whether the leaders be men or women. I know things are a little hard around your homes, and the parents are hard on you, but prove to them the good of this department and children are yours.

General President.

## BIG H. B. A. DRIVE

I am sure, ere, now most of the Presidents and members are aware of the Big H. B. A. Drive that is now on. The General President has issued a notice of a dispensation. Persons desiring to join the H. B. A. now can become full fledge members for $1.00. This dispensation will last until the last Board closes on October 10th. The Presidents are sending in applications very rapidly. We hope to have at least four-hundred members by the time the Boards close.

Presidents keep 50c and send 50c to the office for policies What president will lead? The president who leads in members will be given his railroad fare to the Board of which he is a member.

Please remember that these applications in the Drive are to lay on file for 30 days If in the event a president gets a large number of applications and dosen't want them to lay on file for 30 days, just notify the General President and he will come and make them for you or will send someone to obligate said persons.

It ought to be an easy matter for some of our Presidents to collect $1.00 from ten or fifteen persons, and send for the General President to come and obligate them.

Now is the time to add members to your lodge. Who is going to lead?

## HOW TO RENEW MEMBERS

Quito a few letters have come to the office inclosing applications of old members renewing. The Constitution provides that all persons desiring to renew must pay whatever they owed at the time they became unfinancial. We cannot change this law because it is Constitution and the money belongs to the relatives of the deceased members. However if the Local President and the Local Lodge desire to give said member the renewal fee that goes to them, it is alright with the General office. But the Quartely Assessment or Convention Assessment that was due at the time said member became unfinancial must be paid in the office.

Secretary.


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## NEW CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

Because of many changes made in the last Convention, it was necessary to bring out a new constitution.

The New Constitution will be off the press in the next ten days. The Constitution will sell for 10c to the members and 5c to the Local Presidents. The Ritual and Iniation Guides will also sell for five and ten-cents.

## ELLISVILLE

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo in order that I may let the many readers know that lodge No. 202 has a small membership, but we are alive and doing work for the betterment of the H. B. A.

On our last meeting night Rev. A. Nixon one of the field agents came over to see us. We were indeed proud to have him. Rev. Nixon said many good things which were indeed inspiring.

His talk made us feel like working as never before. We truly hope he will visit us again soon.

Henry Spells, President.
Hattie Burnett, Sec'y. and Reporter.

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## WARNING

We want to urge our Presidents, Agents, as well as members to be care ful how you take members in your lodge. Be sure that their health will warrant membership in the H. B. A.

Sometime ago we had quite a few deaths in and around Macon, Miss. We complained so much about these umtimely deaths, that they checked up for a while Agent Sledge has organized a few lodges for the last few months, and now we have two or three deaths on our hand from these New Lodges. Rev. Jim Goodwin is the President. I am not accusing brother Sledge and Rev. Goodwin of doing anything wrong, but it is very strange to me that Agents Young, Durr, Walker, Woods, Pringle and a number of others in orga nizaing New Lodges don't have as many deaths as one Agent around Macon.

I am sincerely appealing to the members, and Presidents especially, in the upper District to help us protect this order.

Secretary.

## STATE LINE

Dear Editor: Please allow me a little pa ce in the Echo to let the many readers know just what Lodge No. 301 is doing. We had our annual sermon preached on August 10th. We had a grand time and a wonderful program was rendered, quite a few good things were spoken regarding the H. B. A.

The following persons gave favorable talks in behalf of the H. B. A.:

Misses Minnie McCann, Claudie Smith, Ruth McCann, Rebecca McCann, Merica Nelson, Brother W. H. Hatts.

After the program Rev. C. W. Duboise preached a wonderful soul stirring sermon.

We raised $38.18. The President was very active.

James Walley, President.

C. L. Moore, Reporter.

## QUITMAN

Dear Editor: Please allow a little space in the Echo in order to let the many readers know that lodge No. 213 lost one of its members in the person of siter Neallia Chism.

She leaves to mourn one Son, three sisters, one brother, Seventeen grandchildren, and her husband. She has been a faithful member of the Pearlie Grove Baptist Church for twenty-five years.

We hope that our lost is Heaven's gain.

W. L. Henry, Recording Secy.

## ACT QUICKLY! ACT NOW! DON'T PUT OFF! JOIN THE H. B. A. FOR $1.00

Dear presidents: I am coming with a short, but earnest appeal to each loyal president in the Association. I want you to use your influence to increase our membership. For the past six months or more, the presidents and members have urged me to put on a dispensation, but I have refrained from doing so. We have not had a dispensation for more than a year. I have decided that we would put on a dispensation, that would end during the September Boards. I am asking each local presidents to charge 50c joining fee for new applicants. Send 50c to the office for policies. This makes a total of $1.00 to join the H. B. A. until the September Boards are over. We will not issue any 20c checks hereafter while the dispensation is on.

If you have applicants from whom you have collected $2.00 for policy fee, you may keep $1.50 and send 50c to the office. We want to add five hundred (500) members by the first of October.

How many members do you think you can add to your lodge? We want you to do your best. Just $1.00 will make one a full fledge member of the H. B. A. Don't let this opportunity pass.

Members desiring to renew will pay 50c renewal fee, to the local presidents, together with the assessment they owed the General Body, at the time they became unfinancial. The presidents are to keep the 50c renewal fee, and send whatever they owed the General Body to the office.

Let me hear from you as to what you think you can do.

E. F. Young, General President.
R. L. Young, General Secretary.

## DISPENSATION MAKING HEADWAY

We are proud to say that up-to-date the following presidents have sent in for policies for new members whom they have taken in under the dispensation:

Mr. Ed McLemore, President of No. 213 has sent for eleven (11) certificates. Mr. A. J. Barnett, president of No. 270 has sent for two (2) certificates.

Mr. James Walley, presidents of No 301 has sent for one (1) certificate.

Mr. J. H. McLaughlin, president of No. 194 has sent for two (2) certificates.

Mr. Bob Tatum, president of No. 411 has sent for one (1) certificate

As you no doubt know, the drive has only been on, a little more than a week, and up to this date, we have issued seventeen (17) certificates. We are receiving quite a few letters from the local president expressing their appreciation for the dispensation.

Up to this date Mr. Ed McLemore is leading in the drive. We are wondering who will be in lead at the close of the drive.

We wish to thank the above named presidents very very much for the wonderful work they are putting over in helping to increase our membership.

### QUITMAN

Dear Editor: This comes to say that lodge No. 213 has lost a good and faithful member in the person of sister Chisem. Sister Chisem died August 15, 1930. She was in good and regular standing with both local and general boby. We are trusting tnat our lost is heaven's gain.

Ed McLemore, President.

### GULFPORT

Dear Editor: This comes to inform you and others who are going to attend the September Board at Gulfport October 3, 1930, that the Board will be held in Mather Hall in Gaston Point on the old Pass Road with lodge No. 240.

Mrs. Lizzie Wiley, President.

### GHOLSON

Dear Editor: Please allow lodge No. 409 space in the Echo to let the many readers know that our lodge is still alive and doing H. B. A. work. The members are all working in love, peace and harmony with the president. We are working to make the September report a good round report. In reading over our last issue of the Echo, I found that the other H. B. A. lodges are doing wonderful works.

We are working to meet you in the September Board at Dekalb, Miss. Pray that our lodge might increase its membership.

Yours for the order,
Mrs. Callie Haynes, Reporter.

### NOTICE

In reading over the Echo I have found quite a few deaths since the last Board, and the Local Presidents and relatives of the deceased members, tell us that our Lodge certainly did loose a faithful member.

I hope that you all are telling the truth on those deceased members but I think that if a family or a Local lodge looses a faithful member, they should take a few dollars of the money that was left here by the deceased member, and erect a Tomb-Stone, for a living Monument.

I want a stone erected in honor of every deceased H. B. A. member. Can't you Local Presidents and relatives of the deceased help me out

If there is anyone that prefer purchasing their stone in Meridian, from Mr. J. H. Oneil, I wish you would let me sell it to you since I am one of his agents. I can sell it to you just as cheap as you can get it by purchasing it from him, or I might sell it a little cheaper by giving you a little commission. I want you to give me your order and also tell your friends about me.

Mrs. Hattie Smith from Lauderdale, saw an order about to go through some other channel, and turned it, thus sending it my way. I certainly thank you Mrs. Smith, do that again.

R. W. Young, Agent.

### COLUMBIA

Dear Editor: This comes to let you and the many readers know, that lodge No. 326 has lost a good and faithful member, in the person of sister Mary Ashley. At the time of her death, she was secretary of lodge No. 326.

Jas. Rodges, President.

The following lodges reported the following amounts for the 90c Building assessment:

| No. | Amount |
|---|---|
| 306 | $40.50 |
| 431 | 10.80 |
| 438 | 9.90 |
| 399 | 13.50 |
| 132 | 20.00 |

### KILN

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in your paper to say, that lodge No. 396 is doing real H. B. A. work. We rendered our Anniversary program on the first Sunday of this month. Mrs. Carrie Wilkerson was mistress of ceremonies. Those who appeared on program were as follows:

Devotion by the Chaplain
Welcome address Miss Mildred Small
Paper Subject "Union" Miss Roberta Barnes.
Recitation Subject "Faith" Miss Lela Stokes
Response by Rev. Willie McDuffie President of No. 281
Solo Mrs. Wilkerson
Paper Subject "Charity" Miss Mildred Small
Response Deacon Pool, of lodge No. 281
Paper Subject "Good Work" Miss. Callie Sams

After the program was over, we paraded about one fourth of a mile. After the parade, we re-assembled and listened to a soul stirring sermon by the Reverend Willie McDuffie of lodge No. 281. We raised a nice collection to the amount of $9.32

Remarks by the president, Mr. Zachraiah Baggett.

Benediction and adjournment.

After the service, everyone was invited out on the church grounds to a big dinner, which was enjoyed by all.

Zachariah Baggett, President.
Mrs. Carrie Wilkerson, Secretary.

### WESSON

Dear Editor: We are glad to say, that Friendship lodge No. 331 is doing fine at this time, and has been every since it has been set up.

We feel that the Lord has blessed us, we are over two years old and haven't had a death yet. We also feel that Jesus is on our side. The lodge is steadily growing in membership. We are proud to say, that we have paid all medicine and doctor bills on time.

Lodge No. 331 is doing real H. B. A. work, and we also have a nice little bank account. We are asking the prayers of all members and friends, who feel interested in this little band of true members.

W. L. Williams, President.
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# Important Change in Board Meetings

**All presidents and members are requested to govern themselves according to the changes made, in order not to conflict with church revivals. It is always our motto "not to conflict with church meetings".**

**The Boards will meet as follows:**

**Macon, Miss. Friday September 19, 1930.**
**Dekalb, Saturday September 20, 1930.**
**Crystal Springs, Monday September 22, 1930.**
**Gulfport, Tuesday September 23, 1930.**
**Blue Springs, Wednesday September 24,**
**Summerland, Thursday September 25, 1930.**
**Mathesville, Friday September 26, 1930.**
**Stonewall, Monday September 29, 1930.**
**Marks, Tuesday October 7, 1930.**

## PLEASE COLLECT $2.00

Dear presidents: I am sure that all of you understand, that you are to collect $2.00 Echo and publication fee from your local lodge, and report same in the September Board. This notice comes to remind you, that you are to collect $2.00 This $2.00 includes your subscription for one year, together with all reports being published for one year, also whatever local news you want published. Please remember that we can not accept your Death Claims and Quarterly Dues without being accompanied by $2.00.

## DISPENSATION

Quite a few letters have come to the office regarding the dispensation. Some presidents want to know if these new members are to pay the September assessment. This comes to inform you, that members, who hold policies, or certificates on the date of the Board meetings, must pay Death Claims and Quarterly Dues. The law provides, that as soon as the applicant receives his or her policy, he is in good standing with the Order. We are responsible for the applicant and the applicant is responsible for whatever collections are made after he joins. If an applicant gets a policy and dies the next minute, he is in full benefit. Therefore if he get a policy and a collection is to be made the next day, he is in full benefit with that. All presidents are requested according to the law, to collect Death Claims and Quarterly Dues from each person, who has a certificate of membership.

Secretary.

## PICAYUNE

Dear Editor: I think the Dispensation that you have on is one of the grandest movements, that the H. B. A. has ever made. I am working hard to get every good person in this town to join our lodge.

I have put my whole lodge to work. The members are very interested. We have our meetings once every week, at these meetings we usually have a little program. We have set our bate to catch some real good fish, and we mean to catch them soon.

Our lodge is doing nicely, and I think I will be able to renew some of our members.

Aaron Trotter, President.

## BARNETT

Dear Editor: Just a few remarks to let you know just what our lodge is doing. We had with us on August 22, Agent A. Nixon, who gave some very encouraging remarks. We are inviting him to come again.

We really enjoyed having had Agent Nixon with us. We have a splendid lodge, and the members are wide awake. Our president is a real worker. We are expecting quite a few new members on our meeting night.

Sister J. B. Wade, Sec'y.

## NOTICE

New H. B. A. pins selling like hot cake. Just a few more left. We may not have enough to get around to the Boards, however, all persons desiring this beautiful pin may meet the Boards for them, if you have not sent for them already. If any are left on hand we will send you one.

Secretary.

## REVIVAL

The Rev. R. O. Langford of Monroe, North Carolina, has been employed by Rev. R. L. Young, to condnct his Revival at Newell Chapel Church beginning September 29th.

Rev. Langford was the Connectional Evangelist of the C. M. E. Church for eight years. He is reputed to be one of the best preachers in the Connection. If you want to hear real preaching, come out to Newell Chapel beginning September 29th.

Bishop R. T. Brown, will preach Sunday and Sunday night on September 28th.

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### LAMBERT

Dear Editor: On Monday night September 1st. I visited lodge No. 387 and made two members. Tnat following Saturday I made one more. I also visited No. 434 and made two members. The people seemed to be delighted to have me with them. The H. B. A. is growing rapidly in the Delta.

I would like to say to all of the Agents that we have a call to come to the following places: Charleston, Grenada, and Watervalley, Miss. Now is the time to come to the Delta. We want ten more lodges by the 1st. of October. What about it, Phillips, Durr, Woods, Young? I am looking forward to the September Board which will be held at Marks.

Yours truly,
A. M. Walker.

### BASSFIELD

Dear Editor: Those who are planning to attend the Board to be held at Blue Spring C. M. E. Church will go nine miles South of Bassfield. Those coming by way of Sumrall, it will be more convenient for you to come by the Columbia Highway to the Morris School, turning right for about 2 1-2 miles, then right again for about 1 1-2 miles; which will lead you directly to the church.

V. T. Thompson.

### FOUR BABES IN YEAR

CALLAWAY, MINN. -- Four children were born to Mrs. Joe Turn within a year. On September 16, 1929 a daughter was born. Triblets arrived at the Turn home August 12. They are Mary Louise, four pounds; Mary Jane, three and three fourth pounds, and Mary May, three and a half pounds. All are reported doing well.

### DEKALB

Dear Editor: Will you please give me space in the Echo, to let the many readers of the Echo know that we, the members of No. 85 are getting along nicely. We had our meeting Saturday at 2 o'clock. We opened and closed with H. B. A honors. We have deposited in the Dekalb Bank $150.00, and I am proud to say that we have a splendid president. We are very much pleased with the Dispensation. This is a step which shows that he is interested in helping the poor people, and that his heart is on the right side. And the Lord will bless him wherever he goes. I think I can help a little in gaining members for the Order, and I am going to do all that I can to help in this drive. All members from Meridian who are planning to attend the Board in Macedonia, besure and come by the way of Dekalk. Macadonia is only five miles east of Dekalb.

Yours for the H. B. A.
W. L. McDade.

### WAYNESBORO

Dear Editor:
Please allow me space in the columns of the Echo to let you, and the many friends, who are going to attend the September Board at Matherville, Friday September 26th know, that the Board will be held at Mt. Levy Church, about 1-2 mile north of Matherville.

I have six applications ready to send for certificates, and two renewals. The peas, beans and sweet potatoes are awaiting your coming.

Rev. J. M. Moore, President.

### A BARREL OF FUN

Dear presidents, Agents and members: Quite a few of the presidents have been asking for collars, sashes, and emblems of different kind for officers, when they are having their anniversaries.

I am coming to the September Boards with samples of each of the the above mentioned articles. I want each local lodge to get collars and sashes for their officers, and aprons for each member of your lodge. The kind of collar, that we are useing will cost around $3.25 each. The sashes will cost around $6.00 each. I want each local lodge to get a supply for each officer, so that they will be known.

We have plenty of goats on hand. Get ready to ride boys. They sell for $7.00 each. Come to the September Board ready to give your order in.

R. W. Young, Agent.

### LAMBERT

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo in order to let the many readers know that Lodge No. 387 is doing splendid work. We are busy getting ready for the October Board in Marks, Miss. We are planning to have everything in good shape. Dr. James F. Walker and agent A. M. Walker have promised to be with us on the first day. If we had more agents like Brother Walker and Brother R. W. Young, I am sure we would have a bigger and better H. B. A.

Shelby Humble.

### VANCE

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that we are still alive and striving hard to do the work of the H. B. A. On Tuesday night September 2nd, we had a splendid time. We made five members. The H. B. A. spirit seems to be reviving among the members. We had two visitors with us, namely sister Amanda Johnson, from Lodge No. 434 and Brother B. F. Phillips. Agent Phillips gave a splendid talk in behalf of the H. B. A. which was very timely. Agents Phillips and J. J. Johnson are trying to set up another lodge.

Sincerely yours,
J. J. Johnson, President.

### DR. TATE ILL.

As we go to press, news comes to us that Dr. W. J. Tate, President of Lodge No. 160 Prentiss, Miss. is a very sick man. We are hopeing for him a speedy recovery.


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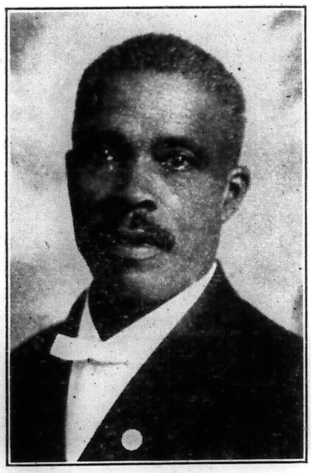

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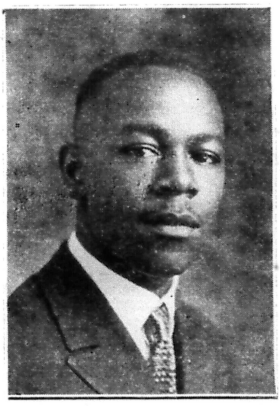

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## BAY SPRINGS

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in your paper to let the many readers know, that lodge No. 146 has lost one of its faithful members, in the person of sister Georgia Griggs. Sister Griggs lived in Lake, Miss. and died August 16, 1930. She joined our lodge in 1924, and was a very faithful member to her church and society. We are praying that our lost is heaven's gain.

G. W. Quincy, President.

## BILOXI

Rev. R. L. Young:
This is to inform you and the many H. B. A.s that I have organized a new lodge in Biloxi, Miss. This is a fine field here for the H. B. A. I don't think we have more than nineteen or twenty other organizations in this City.

Am doing my best for the H. B. A. We organized with thirty-three members. Mr. V. R. Chambers is the hustling President.

J. E. Durr, State Agent.

## HATTIESBURG

Rev. R L. Young:

Please send me thirty application blanks. I will add twenty-five members by the Board. The influence of the Board that was held here in June is still spreading. It was a real Eye-Opener to some of our friends. I have twelve applicants just waiting on application blanks to arrive.

Yours for the H. B. A.

Joe Knox.

## BASSFIELD

Dear Editor:

This comes to inform the readers of the Echo that lodge No. 23 has lost one of its oldest members, in the person of Isom Williams. He departed this life September 3rd. He was loyal and trust worthy. We trust that we will see him again. He leaves one brother and sister as well as a host of friends.

J. M. Thompson, President.

## CRYSTAL SPRINGS

Dear Editor: This comes to inform you, and others attending the H. B. A. Board Monday September 22nd, that the Board will be held in St. Paul C. M. E. Church, Six (6) miles East of Crystal Springs. Right on the Crystal Springs and Hope-Well highway. We are planning to make this, one of the biggest, and best Quarterly Boards in the history of the Association. For further information write: F. E. Harris, President

or Sarah Sandrir, Sec'y.

## ELLISVILLE

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the columns of the Echo to let the many readers know, that we, the members of lodge No. 77, are few in membership, but we are striving to reach the shore. We are at bay the shore is just ahead.

Agent J. E. Durr has paid the lodges, located in Ellisville, three or four visits, and I can truthfully say, that he has turned everything over in this section. We are very proud to know that this wonderful plan is on to increase the membership of to Association.

We have already begun collecting the September assessment. We are working hard to make a round report for lodge No. 77.

Mrs. Bettie Faulknor, President.

## IMPORTAN NOTICE

Quite a few of the Presidents have sent in the September report. Evidently, these Presidents did not pay strict attention to the dates of the Boards. Some were of the opinion that the Boards met the first of September. Please read your Echo and your report blanks carefully. One President writes that he has already been to Gulfport, on the 3rd. After going to Gulfport, he looked at his report blank and found that the Board was to meet on the 10th. month instead of the 9th. month. He then stated that he read his Echo and the Echo read October. So all of the blame fell on him.

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## QUITMAN

Dear Editor:

Please allow me me space in the Echo to say a few words about the H. B. A. My father was an H. B. A. of lodge No. 5. He died in 1915, and the Death Claim that was paid for his Death was $40.00. Since that time the order has grown considerable, and now the Death Benefit is $220.00 or more. The quality of the H. B. A. is alright and quantity is the same. Now to all H. B. A. members, please give the officers praise for what they have done and are still doing, for this grand order. We ask Gods Blessings that we may continue to grow.

Yours for the order

Levi Hearn.

"The most common form of letter says the Webster Progress, "that we receive nowadays reads like this: "Dear Sir: I got your dun what I owe you. Now be Pachunt. I ain't forgot you, please wate. When some other fools pay me I pay you. If this wuz judgment day and you wuz no more prepared to meet your Maker as I am this account, you sure would go to hell. Hoping you will do this, I remain, Yours very truly."

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## BASSFIELD, MISS.

Dear Editor: Please give me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 23 has lost another one of its members in person of brother Calvin Gill. Brother Gill departed this life September 18, 1930 and is in good standing with both the local and General office. He was a good member kind and obedient to all orders that were given him. We hope our lost is heaven's gain.

J. M. Thompson, President.

## MERIDIAN

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the columns of the Echo to let the many readers know that Merigold lodge No. 253 is doing nicely. Our lodge is steadily growing in mem bership. We are working for the interest of the Association. Our members are all working in harmony and peace for the benefit of all concerned.

We are working to make a round report in the September Board. We are asking the prayers of all true H. B. A. s.

E. F. Young, Jr. President.

## A GOOD CREED

To live as gentle as I can,
To be, no matter where, a man;
To take what comes of good or ill;
To cling to faith and honor still
To do my best and let that stand
The record of my brain and hand;
And, then, should failures come to me
Still work and hope for victory;
"To have no secret place wherein
To stoop unseen to shame or sin,
To be the same when I'm alone
As when my every deed is known
To live undaunted, unafraid
Of any step that I have made;
To be without pretense or sham,
Exactly what men think I am."

## QUITMAN

To the H. B. A.: This is to let the many H. B. A. s of the state know that we the members of lodge No. 82 appreciate the special chance and opportunity we all have to increase our membership during the dispensation of low price on the certificates.

Now is the time to work for our people and give them a chance to work for them-selves. The best way to help people is to help them to help themselves. However, we may be tempted to ever do the thing, and take the unfit and undesirable from the stand point of health age. We must sympathize with every-body regardless to health or age, but we have to start some where. The Law Says start when the health is good and the age is young, then keep up and as you grow in age you will grow in favor of all mankind and especially of the H. B. A.

Since it is law that a member must not pay Dues or Death Claims if said member hasn't received his certificate. Very likely the office would accept monies of this kind not knowing that these persons did not have a certificate. Suppose this member would die no claim would be collected. We as presidents should be more careful with our people than we are. Be sure to work for the benefit of the members for it is the members who keep this whole thing going.

It is the presidents business to make the burden light as possible, but you make the members run a risk when you try to run them without a certificate.

Prof. Thos. Blakney, President.
Lodge No 82.

Dear Editor:- Please allow me space in our paper to say that I shall preach an annual sermon for Mr. W. A. Pickett, president of lodge No. 153 at Desota, Miss., the 2nd Sunday in October at 11:00 A. M. All local lodges and presidents are cordially invited to witness this sermon and to help put the program over. Especially do I want to invite Mr. E. D. McLemore, president of lodge No. 213, Mrs. M. J. Phillips, president of lodge No. 224, Mrs. Annie L. Slay, president of lodge No. 123 and Mr. J. H. McLaughlin, president of lodge No 151. We are expecting a large number to be present the 2nd, Sunday in October at lodge No. 153 at Desota, Mississippi.

Rev. H. Ray.

## LAUREL

This comes to let the readers of the Echo know that lodge No. 426 is on the map. On our last meeting night we made seventeen new members. Pray that success may be ours.

Henry Chatman, President.

Ellisville, Miss.

Dear Editor: Please give me space in the "Echo" to let the many readers know that Lodge No. 58 has lost a faithful member, in person of Brother Robert Hamilton, who was a good christian and a worthy Deacon of Pleasant Grove Baptist Church. He proved himself a veritable Treasurer from the beginning of our Lodge until Sept. 24th, he departed this life. He leaves to mourn a wife, five children, one grand child and a host of friends. We pray to meet him on heaven's bright shore.

Sophronia Jones, President.

## MOTTOES FOR EACH MONTH OF THE YEAR

January

At the point of death you will see how valuable time is, but it will be too late: you will wish to buy it with your blood, but you will not be able.
(S. Alphonsus Liguori)

February.

Happy is that soul who knows how to make all her actions precious with the divine jewel of Charity. Sister E. Guerra.

March.

On earth Jesus obeyed St. Joseph in Heaven He will certainly not deny him any grace. If a father asks his son for anything his request becomes a command. S Bernard.

April.

The good man's glory is the testimony of a good conscience. Have a good conscience, and thou shalt always have joy. Imit. book 2. ch. 6.

May

Place all your needs in Mary's hands, in order that she may present them to her divine Son. St. Peter Fourier.

June.

Daily Communion is much esteemed by the loving Heart of Jesus, who because He loves us so, wishes to give Himself every day to enrich us with His choicest grace. Can. Dott. Stephen Antoni.

July.

Ah! A Mass offered for the Conversion of Pagans and of poor sinners may open Heaven to many souls.

Sister E. Guerra.

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### WAYNESBORO

Dear Editor: Please let me say a few words to let the many readers know, that lodge No. 190 is doing nicely. I was in town to-day and was asked by Dr. W. P. Gray to send a notice through the columns of the Echo asking for the December Board. We have a goodly number of white friends, who are anxious to speak to our people in behalf of the Holbrook Benevolent Association.

There are many other lodges, that can take care of the Board as well as lodge 190, but I do say, that a Board ought to be held where it will do the most good. Since Waynesboro is the center of the district, and we have people from all parts of the state, and out of the state, who have not seen a man who is called an H. B. A. That class of people has kindly asked me to ask for the Board, and too, we have got some people who have not seen our General President, neither have they seen the General Secretary, so they are earnestly asking for the December Board.

Since the December Board will convene in this section during the Christmas holidays, and our presidents in this section will have to come to Waynesboro to do their shopping this will just suit them. Friends, you realize that during the Xmas holidays, money is a little tight, and during this critical period, I would not advise the General Secretary to go to one of these little places where he can not purchase a Cashier's check. If the December Board is held in Waynesboro, it will be an easy matter to go to the First National Bank here in our town and buy a Cashier's check and ride home with ease afterwards. I feel that our General Secretary will do the right thing in placing the December Board. I am kindly asking that you consider our place from Waynesboro. I am asking the Association as a whole to consider Waynesboro, and I am going to look to that end. If I fail to get the December Board, not only will I be disappointed, but the whole town.

I think Brother Dunn has been thinking about asking for the December Board, but a lots of time we ask for things just to be asking, not that we need them. I hope Brother Dunn will think the matter over and let No. 190 have the December Board, and we will help him get the March Board I am sure Brother Dunn is like I use to be, I use to ask for things, and then some more, and didn't have any need in the world for the things I I would be asking for. I am asking out of the bottom of my heart for the December Board. Please Sirs and Mams consider Lodge No 190.

D. L. Harris, President.

### IMPORTANT

Dear Presidents: As you know financial matters are a bit pressing. The farmers are not getting much for their cotton. Money is hard to get. All business concerns are trying to help their customers. It is absolutely necessary that the people should be given a chance, therefore, because of these hard pressing times I am appealing to each local president to collect the September assessment from members, who failed to pay on time, and send it in to the office without having said members to pay a renewal fee to you. I know the law provides, that the renewal fee go to each local president, but we must do something to help our people, and I am sure that each of you as local presidents will be willing to help a member, who desires to go, but was not able to pay the assessment before the meeting of the Board. This does not mean that these members, who failed to pay, are in good standing with the local and general bodies, but I am only appealing to your good judgement and, am asking that each local president, who has members who failed to pay in the September Board, to send the $1.30 to the office without charging said members a renewal fee. This does not mean that you are to take sick folks who failed to pay, and want to get in after they get sick, but where-ever you have a member who is healthy etc., and said member desires to renew, please renew said member by sending $1.30 to the office

E. F. YOUNG, General President.

### NOTICE

Dear Presidents: I am sure that you understand that there is only seven more days for you to order your sashes and goats, so that you can get them at a whole-sale price. Please mail in your orders at once.

Sashes are six dollars each, if you mail in your order by the 17th, of this month, you can get them for five dollars and fifty cents each. The aprons are three dollars per dozen, if you get more than a dozen you can get them cheaper.

The collars are three dollars each. The prices on the goats are seven dollars each with an extra box of feed to feed him on. If you give in your order by the 7th of this month, you can get them for $6.00 each, because I have quite a few orders, and I am letting you all have them at a whole sale price. If a president wants to grow his or her lodge, be sure to order one of these goats, and also this new regalia.

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# Killed! Dead Buried!

I have killed the dispensation, that was to extend to October 7th. It is now dead and buried. So many pleas have come from the local presidents for more time. I have decided to continue the dispensation until November 15, 1930. All presidents and lodges can make members for $1.00 under this dispensation. One dollar, $1.00, will make you a full fledge member. The local president will keep 50 cents and send 50 cents to the office for policy.

Please let the applications lay on file for thirty days before sending them to the office. Please don't take persons over fifty-five years of age. Please be careful as to what you put on the Association for you will reap what you sow. Let us have one thousand good applicants by November 15th. What say you, local presidents? The dispensation is now on until Nov. 15th.

E. F. YOUNG, General President.

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James Walley, State Line, three (3) certificates
Silas Walker, Macon, two 2) certificates.
Jake Johnson, Vance, five (5) certificates
E. D. Daniel, Laurel, four (4) certificates
Henry Chatman, Laurel one (1) certificate
Issac Moore, Deerbrook, two (2) certificates
Mack Dawkin, Waynesboro, one (1) certificate
C. H. Hall, Prentiss, one (1) certificate
Mrs. Lizzie Willey, Gulfport, two (2) certificates
Rev. Jim Goodwin, Macon, four (4) certificates
James Rogers, Columbia, three (3) certificates
John Chaney, Meridian, four (4) certificates
Sam Jasper, Quitman, one (1) certificate
Johnie Adams, Shubuta, three (3) certificates
D. L. Harris, Waynesboro, five (5) certificates
David Leverett, Piave, two (2)
C. M. Mayfield, Waynesboro, 3
Ezel Daughery Shubuta, three 3
Mrs. Mattie Trussell Meridian, 2
I. English Meridian, seven 7
D. B. Borders Meridian, three 3
Ed McLemore Quitman, 22
Mr. Henry Chatman Laurel, 10
Willie Porter Wesson, two 2
E. M. Dunn Hiwanee, one 1
Mrs. Lena Johnson Hattiesburg, 1
M. A. Lindsay Laurel, four 4
G. W. Knight Summerland, four 4
A. J. Barnett Hattiesburg, two 2
John Blevian Laurel, three 3
Jim Collins Laurel, four 4
Sam Buckley Newhebron, one 1
Asa Walker Newhebron, four 4
B. J. Morrison Lauderdale, five 5
J. T. Jones Silver Creek, one 1
Peter Russell McLeod, one 1
Thos. Blakeney Quitman, two 2
Mrs. Ella Thornton Meridian, 2
Rev. J. M. Moore Waynesboro, 6
Mrs. Bettie Faulknor, Ellisville, 3
Mrs. E. A. B. Harper Hattiesburg 1
A. M. Pruitt, Eastabuchie one 1
Mrs. Pearl Bush Macon, one 1
Edward Burley, State Line, 7
I. English, Meridian, 1
Bob Tatum Burnside, 5
Prof. J. J. Pickett Brookhaven, 2
John Blevian, Laurel, 2
Mrs. Annie Slay, Crandall, 1
A. A. Alford, Ellisville, 2

## LIGHTSEY

Dear Editor: This comes to let you know that lodge No. 228 has lost a good and faithful member in the person of sister Marget Hodge.

She was a faithful member and a good christian hearted woman.

Since the dispensation, I have taken in seven 7 applications for membership to our lodge.

Yours for the order,

Will Ponder, President.

## BASSFIELD

This comes to let the many readers of the Echo know that we have lost another of our members in the person of sister Pennie Mikel. Sister Mikel was called from labor to reward September 12th, 1930. She was a real christian lady and a true H. B. A. She leaves to mourn her lost a husband, one daughter and a host of relatives. We hope our lost is heaven's gain. Sleep on and on we will meet you by and by.

J. M. Thompson, President.

## BIG HIT

Brother Edward Burley of lodge No. 355 sprang a wonderful surprise on the office force a few days ago in that he sent a money order for seventeen policies. President Burley is one of the finest looking speciman that we have as president of any local lodge. He seems to have been contented for the past few months with a small hand full of members. In the last Board at State Line, we told Brother Burley, that he was to fine a looking man to report such a small membership. The lodge was to little for the man. We spanked Brother Burley right sharply. Burley did not like this, therefore he decided that he would show the office and the Association in general, that he was a real man.

We must doff our hats to Mr Burley for at this writing, no president in the Association has sent in such a large number of applications. Go to it Burley. May your tribe increase.

Secretary.

## BUCATUNNA

This comes to let you and the many readers of the Echo know that the Rising Star lodge No. 214 is doing just fine. We have three applications on file, one member on sick list, but no doctor bills. Peace and harmony exist throughout our lodge. The members all meet with a smile and they leave the same. Pray that we might continue to go upward.

Rev. J. L. Story, President.
Mrs. A. D. Story, Secretary.

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## WALNUT GROVE

Dear Editor: Please give us space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 435 is still alive and doing real H. B. A. work. Peace abids in our lodge. We are few in number but we hope to add new members to our lodge while the dispensation is on. We have planned a rally for some time in October, and we extend an invitation to all H. B. A.s. Rev. O. T. Woods of Kosciusko, Miss., will be with us.

A. L. Lewis, Secretary.

## NEW HEBRON

Dear Editor: Please give spaae in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 343 is doing fine. We have seven applications on file just waiting until our next meeting to be made.

Death has visited our lodge and stole one of our faithful members in the person of sister Mary Garner. She leaves to mourn her passing a husband and one daughter. We hope our lost is heaven's gain.

Sam Buckley, President.

## CARMICHAEL

Dear Editor: This comes to say that the Educational Progressive M. Baptist Association Convention was held at Calvary Hill M. B. Church Oct. 3-6, 1930. The holy spirit was with us through out the entire session. We were very glad to have present with us Rev. Frank Carstrophens of Mobile, Ala. Prof. H. G. Ruffin of Push Matha, Ala. Rev. Carstrophens preaced a wonderful sermon on Thursday night. Prof. H. G. Ruffin preached the missionnary sermon for the home mission sisters.

Prof. G. E. Cartier the principle of the Quitman high school and his staff of teachers were present on Friday night. We were so prond to have them present. It is rumored that we are crazy about Prof. Cartier Oh yes! we all love him because he belong to us. We also had the pleasure of meeting M. B. Cartier, we have learned to love them both. Come again Prof. and Mrs. Cartier the staff of teachers and all our visiting friends for we see a great vision for Calvary Hill and its community.

Reporter.

## H. B. A. BOARDS SUCCESSFUL

The H. B. A. Boards that were recently held were very successful President Eddie Robinson and his good people at macon. Miss. entertained the Board in high style and first class order. President W. L. McDade at Dekalb, Miss., and his good people kept up their old record. Pres. E. F. Harris and his members at Crystal Springs, Miss. did their best to make the visitors happy. Mrs. Lizzie Wiley of Gulfport Miss. tried herself. We had the biggest time in Gulfport that we have ever had in a Board. Mr. Hall, the Undertaker of Gulfport seem to be a strong supporter of the H. B. A. Rev. L. L. Roberts who is a live wire in the pastorate at Gulfport delivered one of the best addresses that we have listened too for some time. Pres. G. W. Knight of Summerland, and his good people stepted a country block in entertaining the Board. Pres. V. T. Thompson of Blue Springs, entertained the Board like an old man on the job. Pres. J. M. Moore that bad man had several of our white friends out, who gladly listened to speeches from us as well as delivered splendid speeches themselves. That hustling Drakeford of Stonewall, knows how to entertain his guest. Pres. I. C. Bradley of Marks, spared no little pain in seeing to it that the H. B. A. was well cared for. We took in more than five hundred applications for membership during the Boards. It is our Motto to write fifteen hundred policies by the 15th of November.

## PRIZES TO BE OFFERED

It will be remembered that we were to offer a prize to the President who sent in the largest number of applications by the closing of the Boards. That prize was to have been a round trip ticket to the Board. Since the drive is being continued to the 15th of November we are offering the following prizes: The pres. sending the first highest number will receive free one H. B. A. Goat. The pres. sending in the second highest number will receive free one H. B. A. Sash. The pres. sending in the third highest number will receive free one H. B. A. Collar. The pres. sending in the fourth highest number will receive free one half doz. Badges. The pres. sending in the fifth highest number will receive free one half doz. new H. B. A. Pins. The pres. sending in the sixth highest number will receive free one half doz. old H. B. A. Pins. Lets go presidents, who will win the prize? Now is your chance please be careful and do not take in folks too old neither sick folks.

R. L. Y.

## DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE FOLLOWING LOCAL LODGES ARE REPORTED

1 Tom Morgan No. 80, Stonewall
2 Retha Carter No. 22, Shubuta
3 Charlie Galaspy No. 125 Collinsville
4 Adline Weathersby No. 181, Silver Creek
5 Elizabeth Triplett No. 121 Meridian
6 Mary Ashley No. 326 Columbia
7 Lucy Harris No. 277, Brookhaven
8 Nancy Everett No. 214, Bucatunna
9 Docia Cooley No. 57, Bsssfield
10 Nealia Chism No. 213, Quitman
11 Charlie McGown No. 173 Quitman
12 Margret Hodge No 228 Lightsey
13 Minnie Jones No. 438 Macon
14 Elvia Whitsey No. 176, Chunkey
15 Lucy Barnes No 28 Toomsuba
16 Sid Pippins No. 431 Macon
17 Isom Williams No. 23 Bassfield
18 Will Jackson No. 92 Laurel
19 Richard Coleman No. 257 Barnett
20 Walter Cameron No. 28 Toomsuba
21 Mariah Hawkin No. 60 Meridian
22 Pennie Mikel No. 23. Bassfield
23 Houston Lewis No. 125 Collinsville
24 Georgia Griggs No. 146. Bay Springs
25 Merdi Smith No. 28. Toomsuba
26 T. J. McWilliams No. 135, Bailey
27 Henry Harris No. 32, Meridian
28 Calvin Gill No. 23, Bassfield.
29 Isabell Barnes No. 23, Bassfield
30 C. C. Jordan No. 214 Waynesboro
31 Sindia Moore No. 39, Lauderdale
32 Martha Rush No. 205 Hattiesburg
33 Henry Jenkins No. 122 Daleville

## NOTICE

Each president is requested to collect $1.40 for the December Board.

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### BASSFIELD

Dear Editor: This is to let the readers of the Echo know that lodge No. 23 has lost another one of its members in the person of sister Isabell Barnes. Sister Barnes departed this life October 2. We trust our lost is heaven's gain. No. 23 has had a deal of sickness and all seemed to be very serious cases. Sister Barnes leaves a husband, sisters and brothers to mourn her lost.

J. M. Thompson, President.

### JACKSON

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to say that we are working for the up lift of the H. B. A. We as lodge No. 418 expect to do better in the future than we have in the past, we acknowledge that we haven't done as much as we could have done.

Walter Taylor, President.

### COLLINS

Dear Editor: Give me space in the Echo to let other lodges know that lodge No. 428 is getting along nicely. We are progressing just fine for a young lodge. We made eight members on our last meeting night, and we have twenty four to make on our next meeting, that have joined under the dispensation. We are not taking in anybody, whom we think are not goad risk for the Association. We are asking the prayers of the Association.

Rev. E. L. Crosby, president.

### COLLINSVILLE

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to say that lodge No. 125 has lost one of its faithful members in the person of Rev. Hueston Lewis. Rev. Lewis died September 22nd, we hope our lost is heaven's gain.

R. C. Cole, President.
Armeter Nichols, Secretary.

### PICAYUNE

Dear Editor: Give lodge No. 307 space in the columns of the Echo to let you, and the many readers know that we held our third Anniversary. We had a wonderful time. We are proud to say that we took in seven candidates.

Mrs. Maud Maye, principal of the Catahoula School, put a wonderful program over. We are very grateful to Mrs. Maye. We had a fine sermon preached and raised a nice collection.

Yours for the order,

W. A. Gilbert.

### PERKINSTON

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the columns of the Echo to let the many readers know that we are small in membership, but we are pressing onward. We are trying to do real H. B. A. work. Pray that our membership might continue to grow. We are proud to say, that the prize isn't given to the swiftest, but to the one that holds out to the end.

We are very sorry, that we did not meet the Board at Gulfport on the 23rd, but I was under the impression it was to be on the 3rd of October. Pray that our membership might increase.

Pete Bangs, President.
Lula Bangs, Reporter.

### DALEVILLE, MISSISSIPPI

Dear Secretary: May I say to the readers of the Echo that lodge No. 122 has lost one of its loyal faithful members in the person Bro. H. Jinkins. Bro. Jinkins was called from labor to reward Monday September 29th. He leaves to mourn his lost a loving wife four children and a host of friends. We hope our lost is heaven's gain.

A. L. BROWN, President
HENRY ANDERSON, Secretary.

### BUCATUNNA

Dear Secretary: Please let me have space in the Echo to let the many readers know that the members of Rising Star lodge No. 214 is doing nicely. We have got a step higher. We have just made four members.

Pray that we might continue to add members to our lodge.

J. L. Story, President.
Addie Story, Secretary.


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To the local presidents and members of this grand old Order: We hope, that you are making every effort possible to grow your membership during this dispensation, which closes November 15th. Let every true and red blooded H. B. A. do his and her best to add members by the 15th, and, it can only be done through your honest efforts. We earnestly urge, that you be careful as to who obtain membership in your local lodge. Let the old and decrepited and the unhealthful people remain where they are. Go out in the hedges and high-ways and call the youth. That young life that promises a future If you will only take care of this Order it will soon grow to the extent, that we will be able to give five hundreds of our boys and girls a position in life, that will net them a splendid livelihood. The white man is looking for his sons and daughters. There are many jobs that use to be held by colored men and women, but today they have been pushed back and room has been made for the sons and daughters of the white race. Do you blame the white man for making a position for his children? No! No! No!. He is eminently correct. The thing for us to do is to stop depending upon the white man for everything that means advancement to this race of ours. We should buckle ourselves to the task and make positions for our boys and girls. Many many young men and women are graduating from some of our best schools, but when they come out, they have nothing to do. Boys and girls can not educate themselves and at the same time make positions for themselves. It is up to those of us who are out in life to blaze the way, fell the timber and make honorable and constructive business concerns that will give our children's children's children something to do. One great trouble with this race of ours is, we don't look far enough into the future. The white man looks thousands of years ahead, while the colored man looks to: Give us this day, our daily bread, and to-morrow will take care of itself. Let us therefore, grow this great Organization for it doeth not yet appear as to what we will do. If you expect to be a friend to man, we must live in a house by the side of the road where the races of men go by.

Yours for a better and growing Order,

Rev. R. L. Young, General Secretary.

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ROY L. YOUNG.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 14th day of October 1930.

W. E. Wyatt.

(Seal) Notary Public

My commission expires July 30, 1934

## BUCATUNNA

Dear Secretary: Allow me space in the Echo to say that death has visited our lodge, sister C. C. Jordan departed this life the 25th of September. She leaves to mourn her passing a husband, three daughters, three sons five sisters, three brothers, and a host of friends. Sister Jordan has been a member of lodge No. 214 for five years. She has been a faithful member, she never gave the lodge any trouble. She was laid to rest in the Piney Grove cemetary. She was buried with H. B. A. honors.

Rev. J. L. Story, President.

## CARMICHAEL

Dear Editor: Please let me say a few words to let the many readers know that lodge No. 95 is doing nicely. I was in hope that the dispensation would be lengthened, and to my surprise we got the good news through the Echo that it would continue until the 15th of November. Our lodge is growing since the dispensation has been on, we have already sent to the office for six certificates, a ed have ten more on file and looking to get that many more. So look out for No. 95 we are yet alive and we expect to live on.

Star Light Lodge No. 95.

## WAYNESBORO, MISSISSIPPI

Dear Editor:- I have just a word to say through the little paper. I am too glad to know that the General President has extended the dispensation until the 15th of November. Please presidents, let us not prove ourselves a failure. Let us try and carry the H. B. A. over the top, just think the more healthy members we have the better it is on us. Just think about it when we go out to pick this 9 cent rotton cotton, the bigger the crowd the quicker you get a bail, and the more members we get the lesser Death Claims will be, that is if you don't put too many rotton apples in the barrel. Please let us not take people that the doctor don't want, that is our mistake, we don't look at that all the time we look at that little joining fee. If we take in people who are not fit we make it hard for the whole Association. If I didn't get but one member a year he or she has got to be worthy and well qualified. What is a little joining fee? Presidents lets see to it that every member we take in let them be in good health.

Christians, well we don't have many of them not even in the pulpit so let us take this home with us and smoke it in our pipes. Lets go presidents lodge No. 190 is on the map.

D. L. Harris, President.

## NEWTON

Prof. A. C. Drummond was in the office a few days ago he stated that his lodge is doing real business. He has just sent in for thirteen certificates. He also stated that his lodge has between $85.00 and $90.00 in his local treasure. How many more Drummonds do we have?.

R. L. Y.

## MERIDIAN

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 139 is yet alive and doing real H. B. A. work.

We had our anniversary sermon the 3rd Sunday in September. The sermon was preached by the General Secretary in the person of Rev. R. L. Young. His subject was "Economy" He preached a wonderful sermon. If we would do as he said there wouldn't be so much talk about hard times. He told us not to throw the cold bread away, take the cold bread and make "Cush" out of it and biscuit puddings, thats a good way to save.

R. L. Young is a jack of all trades we need more men like Young. The collection was $16.50. We took in fifteen new members and two renewals, total collection $31.50.

On Tuesday night our lodge met with five new members. We are yours for a better and bigger lodge.

Jack Davis, President.

## COLLINSVILLE

Dear Editor: This comes to let the readers of the Echo know that lodge No. 125 has lost another one of its faithful members in the person of Bro. Houston Lewis. Bro. Lewis will be missed in both church and society. He leaves a wife, seven children and a host of friends, we hope our lost is heaven's gain.

R. C. Cole, President.

## NOTICE

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E F. & R. L. Young.

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Sworn to and subscribed before me this 14th day of October 1930.

W. E. Wyatt.

(Seal) Notary Public

My commission expires July 30, 1934

## BUCATUNNA

Dear Secretary: Allow me space in the Echo to say that death has visited our lodge, sister C. C. Jordan departed this life the 25th of September. She leaves to mourn her passing a husband, three daughters, three sons five sisters, three brothers, and a host of friends. Sister Jordan has been a member of lodge No. 214 for five years. She has been a faithful member, she never gave the lodge any trouble. She was laid to rest in the Piney Grove cemetary. She was buried with H. B. A. honors.

Rev. J. L. Story, President.

## CARMICHAEL

Dear Editor: Please let me say a few words to let the many readers know that lodge No. 95 is doing nicely. I was in hope that the dispensation would be lengthened, and to my surprise we got the good news through the Echo that it would continue until the 15th of November. Our lodge is growing since the dispensation has been on, we have already sent to the office for six certificates, a ed have ten more on file and looking to get that many more. So look out for No. 95 we are yet alive and we expect to live on.

Star Light Lodge No. 95.

## WAYNESBORO, MISSISSIPPI

Dear Editor:- I have just a word to say through the little paper. I am too glad to know that the General President has extended the dispensation until the 15th of November. Please presidents, let us not prove ourselves a failure. Let us try and carry the H. B. A. over the top, just think the more healthy members we have the better it is on us. Just think about it when we go out to pick this 9 cent rotton cotton, the bigger the crowd the quicker you get a bail, and the more members we get the lesser Death Claims will be, that is if you don't put too many rotton apples in the barrel. Please let us not take people that the doctor don't want, that is our mistake, we don't look at that all the time we look at that little joining fee. If we take in people who are not fit we make it hard for the whole Association. If I didn't get but one member a year he or she has got to be worthy and well qualified. What is a little joining fee? Presidents lets see to it that every member we take in let them be in good health.

Christians, well we don't have many of them not even in the pulpit so let us take this home with us and smoke it in our pipes. Lets go presidents lodge No. 190 is on the map.

D. L. Harris, President.

## NEWTON

Prof. A. C. Drummond was in the office a few days ago he stated that his lodge is doing real business. He has just sent in for thirteen certificates. He also stated that his lodge has between $85.00 and $90.00 in his local treasure. How many more Drummonds do we have?.

R. L. Y.

## MERIDIAN

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 139 is yet alive and doing real H. B. A. work.

We had our anniversary sermon the 3rd Sunday in September. The sermon was preached by the General Secretary in the person of Rev. R. L. Young. His subject was "Economy" He preached a wonderful sermon. If we would do as he said there wouldn't be so much talk about hard times. He told us not to throw the cold bread away, take the cold bread and make "Cush" out of it and biscuit puddings, thats a good way to save.

R. L. Young is a jack of all trades we need more men like Young. The collection was $16.50. We took in fifteen new members and two renewals, total collection $31.50.

On Tuesday night our lodge met with five new members. We are yours for a better and bigger lodge.

Jack Davis, President.

## COLLINSVILLE

Dear Editor: This comes to let the readers of the Echo know that lodge No. 125 has lost another one of its faithful members in the person of Bro. Houston Lewis. Bro. Lewis will be missed in both church and society. He leaves a wife, seven children and a host of friends, we hope our lost is heaven's gain.

R. C. Cole, President.

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## WAYNESBORO

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that death has visited lodge No. 193 and has taken one of our faithful members in the person of Bro. Arther Turner. Bro. Turner departed this life Sunday October 19th. His body was found by the road side by his car between Waynesboro and Shubuta. The truth of his death is not yet known. He leaves a wife, one daughter and one son. We hope our lost is heaven's gain.

R. C. Chatman, President.
B. S Burke, Reporter.

## LAMBERT

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that we the members of lodge No. 387 are on our way to the top. We have added thirty four members to our lodge since the dispensation has been on, and we have some more on file.

We are not going to take in people who are too old, the members whom we are taking in now, their ages run from twelve to forty. Pray that we might continue to add new members to our lodge.

S. H. Humble, President.

## MERIDIAN

Dear Editor: Please give us space in the Echo to let the many readers know that we the members of lodge No. 69 are doing nicely. We had our anniversary sermon Sunday October 19th, at Union Baptist church. A nice program was rendered. The sermon was preached by Rev. B. W. Coates. He explained what we should do to be true H. B. A.s The sermon was enjoyed by all. We took in six new members. A nice sum of $29.45 was raised. Pray that success will be ours.

I. English, President.
Mrs. Fannie Cogar, Sec.

## SHUQUALAK

Dear Editor: Allow me space in the columns of the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 380 is doing nicely. We have added five members to our lodge since the September Board, and, we are working to add more. Send me some application blanks at once We are working to make this a bigger and better lodge.

Alex Paylor, President.

## LAMBERT

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that the Juvenile Chapter No. 386 is doing just fine. We are working and praying, that the juvenile Department will grow, and some day be as strong as the H. B. A. proper. We are planning to have a big time on the first Sunday in December.

We want to increase in membership, and we are working to do so. Pray for our lodge.

Yours for a better Juvenile Dept.

Mrs. Rebecca Humble, Reporter.

## SHUBUTA

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No 230 is doing fine. We had a nice program on the 19th of this month, and, we were honored with having the state representative Mr. J. E. Durr, Present. We took in six members that day. We were blessed with having a number of local lodges present also.

We are doing H. B. A. work in our local lodge. The members all are working in harmony with the local president. Pray for our success.

R. H. Lofton, President.
C. W. Woodard, Secretary.

## LAMBERT

Dear Editor: Allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that we the members of lodge No. 388 are doing nicely. We have seven applications on file just waiting for our next meeting, we are taking in young people. I hope every president will be careful along this line. We thank our General President and Secretary for extending the dispensation until the 15th of November.

J. P. Jackson, President.

## NOTICE

December Boards Will Meet

As Follows:

Paulett, W. M. Perry, President. Wednesday December 3rd.
Philadelphia, Prof. H. T. Houston, pres. Thursday December 4th.
Meridian Friday December 5th.
Mt. Olive, Matthew Rowe, pres. Monday December 8th.
Hiwanee, E. M. Dunn, President Tuesday December 9th.
Brookhaven Mrs. Rosa Scarbough, pres. Thursday December 11th.

All presidents are requested to collect $1.40 per member and report same in the December Boards.

All new presidents are requested to collect $1.75 Echo and publication fee and report same in the December Board. This applies to the new lodges that were organized since the September Boards.

Secretary.

## HEIDELBURG

Dear Editor: This is to notify you that we have lost one of our faithful members, in the person of Bro. J. N. Newell. Bro. Newell departed this life September 21st. He was a faithful member. He leaves five children and a host of friends to mourn his lost.

J. J. Pierce, President.

## GULFPORT

Dear Editor: Please give me space in the Echo to say, that lodge No. 240 is doing nicely. Since August we have added twenty one members to our lodge, and, we have three more on file. We are doing all we can to increase our membership. Lodge No. 240 is the pride of the coast.

Lizzie Wiley, President.
Julia Rogers, Secretary.

## MOSS

Dear Editor: This is to let you and the many co-workers know that lodge No. 432 is doing nicely. We have added three new members to our lodge and we are striving to make ours one of the biggest and best lodges in the association. We have $11.35 in our treasure. Look out for lodge No. 432.

Amos McCullum, President.

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## THE FOLLOWING LODGES REPORTED THE FOLLOWING AMOUNTS IN THE SEPTEMBER BOARDS FOR DUES AND DEATH CLAIMS:

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## WAYNESBORO

Dear Editor: Please allow space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 194 is still alive and moving along nicely. We had our annual sermon preached the 4th Sunday in September by Rev. H. Ray. His text was "Don't sell your birth rights" Subject" The world has you on a sale" Rev. Ray preached a wonderful sermon. We took in ten applications. We raised $8.10 We had a grand time the 4th Sunday with Pres. D. L. Harris of 190 and his good people, Pres. J. C. Jordan of No. 215 and his people and pres. C. M. Mayfield of No. 288 and his people. Rev. Ray is a fish hook in the H. B. A. he can catch the big fish and the little. We are proud of Rev. Ray. Look out you $100.00 reporters in the December Board for we mean to do real H. B. A. work. We had a number of our white friends to come out to listen to our sermon and bids us God's speed.

C. W. McLaughlin, President.

## NOTICE

I have had quite a few of the presidents to send me their order for Goats and Sashes. When I receive an order for a Goat it make me feel that your lodge is going to grow, and always have good attendance.

I want all of the local presidents to send in their order who have not already done so

Hello! Agents, how is everything on the field? I have been very quiet for a few months in organizing lodges but I am on the field again. I have just organized a lodge in Collins, Miss., with twenty three members, and I also added ten members to a lodge at Harpersville, Miss., You will hear from me every two weeks if you read the Echo. So stand back agents and give me the right of way.

R. W. Young, Agent.

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## H. B. A. TAKES LAUREL

Dear Editor: The annual event of the H. B. A. in this city last Sunday was the greatest ever pulled off among the Negro population in the history of the city. State Deputy J. E. Durr did much in commanding more than three hundred H. B. A. members in a city wide parade, which was led by the city band. Men and women dressed in full regalia, presented a pageant of beauty wit and shill. The president, H. Chatman, and Vice president, Mrs. Marie Smith, demonstrated their ability to do things for humanity. The cooperation of three other lodges added strength to the occasion.

Long before the arrival of the H. B. A. members, the Calvary Baptist Church was crowded to its capacity, and many were unable to avail themselves with seats.

Dr. J. J. Overstreet suspended his afternoon service to be present at this meeting. Dr. Roberts, the great pastor of Mt. Bethel Baptist Church Gulfport, Miss. proved himself equal to the task, and engraved himself into the hearts of all Laurelites. About $190.00 was realized in the collection, which included the sales of regalia sold by Agent J. E. Durr.

Dr. Roberts was retained for Monday night to render one more of his famous sermons to Calvary Church. The General President, General Secretary, Rev. L. L Roberts, Agent J. E. Durr, president H. Chapman and Mr. Mason were royally entertained in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Smith Monday afternoon.

A wonderful program was rendered Sunday afternoon by the Juvenile Department, and, much praise is being given to the master of ceremony for the efforts put forth to make this program a success.

Agent J. E. Durr and president Chatman stand at the top in Laurel. This is the biggest project that has ever been put over by any local lodge in the whole Association at any time.

Reporter.

## MONTROSE

Dear Editor: Please give space in the Echo to let me say that lodge No. 285 is doing nicely. On our last meeting we made two new members, and we are still looking for more. We are very glad to know that the dispensation has been extended. We are trying to do real H. B. A. work, pray that success will be ours.

H. A. Morgan, President.

Bessie Morgan, Secretary.

## HEIDELBURG

Dear Editor: Please give us space in the Echo to let the readers know that lodge No. 195 has lost one of its members in the person of Rev. J. T. Thigpen. Rev. Thigpen departed this life October 17th. He was a member of this lodge for six years. Rev. Thigpen leaves a wife, twelve daughters five sons, a host of relatives and friends to mourn his lost. We hope our lost is heaven's gain.

R. McCormick, President.
C. McCormick, Secretary.

## MONTROSE

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to say a few words in regard of lodge No. 316. We have not added any new members to our lodge but we are planning to send in an order soon. Lodge No. 316 is striving to go upward and not downward.

James Walton, President

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### EASTABUCHIE

Dear Editor: Please allow us space in the Echo to say that lodge No. 384 is doing real H. B. A. work. We had our anniversary sermon the 4th Sunday in October Rev. B. J. Smith was master of ceremonies. Those who appeared on program were as follows: Devotional service by A. Nixon Welcome address B. J. Smith, Talk Jim Hose. Mr. Talmadge Webster was with us and said many good things about the H. B. A. He is welcome to visit us at any time. After listening to many good things coming from our members and friends, our souls were made to feel glad while the Rev. M. D. Evans talked to us by the way side. A nice sum of $9.15 was raised. After a few remarks from our president Mr. A. M. Pruett, the benediction was announced, then we all were invited out to the school house for dinner, and oh my! what a dinner.

A. M. Pruett, President.

Birtha Powell, Secretary.

### LAUREL

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that, we the members of lodge No. 397 are doing nicely. We are few in number, but we still hold up the blood stain banner of the H. B. A.

Our vice president had an accident a few days ago. He stuck a stick through his eye ball, and he is now asking for help. He is asking each local lodge to please donate him as much as 50c each, or as much as they can give. God will bless you for whatever you give. Presidents, let us try to help this man. He has just had a hospital bill of $63.00 and other expenses.

J. F. Lindsay, President.

Ollie Mitchell, Vice President.

### HICKORY

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that, lodge No. 311 is doing nicely. We wish to thank Rev. Young for sending us agent J. E. Durr, and we wish to thank him for coming to us. We had some members just waiting for his arrival. Since October, we have added twelve new members to our lodge, and two renewals. Lodge No. 311 is doing real H. B. A. work. Pray that we might continue.

Clarence Dees, President.

Virgie M. Chatman, Secretary.

### HATTIESBURG

Dear Rev. Young: This comes to inform you and the many readers that lodge No. 231 is doing nicely. We are delighted to say that the H. B. A. fire is still burning, and as never before. We have eight or ten applications on file. We are hoping to report more than one hundred members in the December Board.

Joe Knox, President.

### ELLISVILLE

Dear Editor: This comes to let the many readers know that, sister Annie Howze, a faithful member of Dudley Chapel M. E. Church, departed this life October 28, 1930. Sister Howze played a conspicious part in the choir. She was always happy, and at her post of duty. She will be missed in her church.

She was a faithful member of lodge No. 202. She will be missed when the roll is called.

Her funeral was preached by Rev. T. A. Carter. She leaves to mourn her passing one daughter, one grand daughter, six sisters, two brothers and a loving father. Her remains were laid to rest in the Ellisville cemetery.

Mrs. Bettie Faulknor, Reporter.

### COLLINS

Dear Editor: Allow me space in the columns of the Echo to say to the many readers that lodge No. 420 is getting along just fine. We had a little entertainment to try to raise our home treasure, and we realized the sum of $13.00. We had one of our agents with us, in the person of Mr. R. W. Young. We added some members to our lodge, and have several more on file. Pray that we might continue to work.

Handy Barnett, President.

### DALEVILLE

Dear Editor: Please allow me space for just a few lines. We are glad to be alive and able to do H. B. A. work.

Lodge No. 122 is doing fine. We have renewed several old members, and have one application blank on file for membership. We have the will power and mean to push things to the front. We feel that we can do anything any other man has done.

A. L. Brown, President.

H. B. A. No. 122.

### LAUDERDALE

Dear Editor: Just a few words to you and the many readers to let you know that our little lodge No. 31 is still keeping time. We had our Annual sermon on last second Sunday in October. Rev. C. Rush preached our sermon. He rode a high horse that day. He did not leave a stone unturned. His subject was "True Brotherhood." We rendered a wonderful program, and a nice little sum of $7.31 was raised.

Lodge No. 31 is small in membership, but we are doing real H. B. A. work.

Mrs. Vallie Thornton, Pres.

### BILOXI

Dear Secretary: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know, that Eagle Eye lodge No. 441 is on the map, and is doing real H. B. A. work. I am sorry I was not in the beginning of the race, however, the prize is not given to the strongest nor swiftest, but to the one that holds out to the end. We are going to have an installation in November and we are planning to have a wonderful time.

Rev. E. B. Young, a well known preacher of Biloxi, departed this life Monday October 27, 1930. He lived to get seventy-four years of age. Rev. Young died in good faith, and, we trust our lost is heaven's gain.

V. R. Chambers, President.

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### NOTICE

Dear presidents: I noticed that some of you in some write-ups to the Echo, notify the public that your lodge is small in number. Why notify all of the members of the Association that you have a small lodge? You are giving the impression, that you are not able to grow your lodge. If you are small in number keep it to your-self, and, those around you and the rest of us will not know it. There are many things that you can say with out saying "This comes to let you know that we are small in number, but we are doing H. B. A. work."

Secretary.

Rev. Thomas Sanders, Jr., D. D.

The hustling Presiding Elder of the Gloster District, will be in attendance at the Conference next week.

### MERIDIAN

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that the Juvenile Chapter No. 2 at Tabernacle, is doing nicely. We had our anniversary sermon on the 2nd Sunday in October, which was delivered by the General President. A sum of $2.20 was raised. Twelve new members were added to our lodge.

After the business side of the program was over, we were served with delicious Ice Cream. Look out Guides I will see you in the November Board.

Mrs. Annie Smith, Guide.

### NOTICE

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THE H. B. A. BOARDS WILL MEET AS FOLLOWS:

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Philadelphia, H. T. Houston, Pres. December 4th,
Meridian, December 5th,
Mt. Olive, Matthew Rowe, Pres. December 8th.
Hiwanee, E. M. Dunn, Pres. Dec. 9.
Brookhaven, Mrs. Rosa Scarbough, Pres. December 11th.

Secretary.

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H. B. A. BOARDS NOTICE

All presidents are requested to collect $1.40 per member for the December Boards. The names of those to be paid were published in the last issue of the Echo. All presidents who are making their first report in the December Board to this body, are requested to collect $1.75 Echo and publication fee from your local lodge. Please remember that this amount must accompany your report.

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D'LO

Dear Editor: This comes to inform the readers of the Echo that lodge No. 71 has lost one of its faithful members, in the person of Brother Dave Rogers. Bro. Rogers departed this life October 27th. His seat will be vacant in our lodge, but we hope to see him again. He leaves a mother three sisters, a host of relatives and friends to mourn his passing.

J. S. Anderson, President.

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Bishop R. T. Brown, D. D., M. D.

Of Birmingham, Ala., who will open the 20th annual session of the South Mississippi Conference, Tuesday Nov. 18th at Newell Chapel C. M. E. Church, 13th Ave., 14th St., at Meridian, Mississippi.

Rev. Roy L. Young Pastor

The public is cordially invited to attend this meeting. The meeting closes Sunday night November 23rd. The appointments will be read out Sunday night by the Bishop.

Elaborate preparations are being made by the pastor and membership to entertain the Conference.

The Rev. E. W. Washington, Presiding Elder of the Meridian District, is entertaining his 1st. Annual Conference as Presiding Elder.

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MERIDIAN

Dear Editor: Just a small space to let the many readers know that a very successful box supper was given at Tabernacle school Saturday night November 2. A sum of $11.65 was realized. A splendid program was rendered. We are looking forward to a new school building, and we are asking our friends and visitors to help us put the program over.

Miss E. V. Hines, Principal.
Mrs. Rosie S. Bufkins, Asst.
Mrs. Annie Smith, Reporter

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VANCE

Dear Editor: Please give me space in the Echo to let the many readers know, that lodge No. 204 is still increasing in membership. We are working hard, and, asking the true H. B. A.s to give their faithful prayers to the master in the behalf of lodge No. 204, that she may climb to the top. We held our meeting on the regular meeting night, and, we added to our lodge five new members We were honored with having two visitors in our last meeting night. We had a splendid meeting. Our presidents seems to have the H. B. A. at heart.

Mrs. Pearlenor Phillips, Reporter.

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NEWTON

Dear Editor: Please give me space in the columns of the Echo to let the many readers of the paper know that we the members of lodge No. 302 have lost one of our members in the person of Brother Williams Wesley. The death angle visited his home November 4th, 1930. He leaves to mourn his passing four children and a host of friends. Brother Wesley was a faithful H. B. A. member.

W. E. Chatman, President.

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Let us so live that when these bodies are deposited in the heart of the earth, the works that we have done here on earth will just be beginning to grow. While we live the seed is only planted and germinating, when we die it sp.ings up and grows.

REV. R. L. YOUNG, General Sec'y.

He who aims at nothing is likely to hit it, therefore let your aim be at something, and, you are likely to hit something.

**On August 20th the two men, whose likeness appear on this page, got together for the benefit of the Association. Their minds were of one accord, and, their thoughts centered in one direction. They put on a dispensation for the growth of the Order.**

**With their wise management and leadership, the local presidents and members have shown their loyalty in this big H. B. A. drive, for just eighty-five days. These two men seem to be natural born leaders. They seem to have the stuff born in them. Just look at the number of members added in eighty-five days. Here is the number:**

# 1800 Added In Eighty-Five Days

**An average of 21 twenty-one members per day including Sunday. FRIENDS THAT IS GOING SOME.**

**These two leaders have come together and decided to Continue the Drive until the Boards Close in order that we may reach the 2000 new membership mark. Lets go Presidents and members. Where we lead will you follow? We can not make it without you. The dispensation is scheduled to close on the 11th of December. Hurrah! Come on boys. 200 More Members**

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## ELLISVILLE

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the little paper to say that lodge No. 202 has lost one of its faithful members, in the person of sister Anna Howze. Sister Howze was a member of the M. E. Church very faithful to church and lodge. She leaves a husband, one daughter, one grand daughter, five sisters, three brothers and a host of relatives and friends to mourn her lost. We hope our lost is heaven's gain.

H. Barner, Secretary.

## VOSSBURG

Dear Editor: Please give us space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 290 is on the top. We have added five new members to our lodge since the dispensation has been on. We had our annual sermon on the 9th of November. We had a wonderful time, and we didn't only have our people with us, but we had some of our white friends. We raised $16.00. A splendid program was rendered by Miss Julian Bonner. Pray for us that lodge No. 290 will continue to grow.

L. Bonner, President.

## BROOKHAVEN

Editor of the H. B. A. Dear Sir: Please allow me space in the columns of the Echo to let the many readers know that we are doing nicely. I wish to speak a few words in the regards of the H. B. Association. I want the many friends of the Association to know that the H. B. A. is one among the best orders in the State.

There are three principles that make this Association of ours great.

First, It speaks for itself

Second, Others speak for it,

Third, It does what it speaks.

Morning Star lodge No. 353 is on the map. Now in regards to the dispensation which has been going on about two and a half months, I think it is fine. There is a big difference in a hook and a net sain. The sain catches everything, while the hook catches one thing. No. 353 is doing fine and a spirit of oneness prevails.

We feel that the Lord has wonderfully blessed us. We are about three years old, and, we haven't had any deaths. We have four application blanks on file for membership to our lodge.

Yours for the order,

Rev. W. S. Price, President.

## MACON

Dear Editor: This comes to let all H. B. A. s know that brother Tom Davis of lodge No. 161 had an accident, which caused the lost of his right eye. Mr. Davis was unable to take care of his doctor bill, and he is asking all H. B. A. s to help him with this bill. Let it be small or great. We are asking the friends who are planning to attend the Board at Paulett to come prepared to donate Brother Davis something, and, if there be those of you, who are not planning to attend the Board, to please send whatever you have to Ames Johnson, R. 1. Box 23, Macon, Miss. We are thanking you in advance for anything you may give.

Ames Johnson, Reporter.

## D'LO

Dear Editor: This comes to say that we have a Brother, in person of Brother J. S. Pool, who had a great loss by tornado. The loss is estimated between two and three thousand dollars, and, he is asking for help. He is asking the local lodges to aid him in this needy time. Whatever you might give will be highly appreciated. Everything he had was blown away.

J. S. Anderson, President.

C. M. Easterland, Secretary.

## ENONDALE

Dear Editor: Allow me space in the columns of the Echo to let you and the many readers know that lodge No. 64 has lost a good and faithful member, in the person of Sister Lottie Wright. She has been a member of the H. B. A. about fifteen years. She died in good and regular standing. Our dear sister will be missed in our local lodge, and, we hope she has gone to rest.

John Gully, President.

## NOTICE

Presidents are requested to avail themselves with local lodge receipt books, in order that a receipt may be given to each member, from whom you collect the assessment.

Send 3c postage to the office for each book wanted.

## MCLEOD

Dear Editor: Please give lodge No. 389 space in the columns of the Echo to let the other H. B. A. s and non H. B. A. s know that we are doing nicely. Our lodge is in love and peace. We have added since August 1st, thirty-one new members to my lodge. Look out presidents, 389 is on the role. We are asking the prayers of the true blooded H. B. A. s.

R. S. Peterson, President.

## MT. OLIVE

Dear Editor: Just a few lines in regards to our lodge work. We are getting along fine, and also doing excellent work Our treasure is good. The lodge is increasing rapidly. I am sending three new applications. I want to thank our General President for his long extension of the dispensation. He has given us time to prove what we can or can-not do. He has been very nice to us as a whole, and we pray that the Lord will bless him in all that he may undertake to do. I am working for the interest of the H. B. A. as a whole.

Yours for the order,

J. W. Gray, President.

## NEWTON

Dear Rev. Young: I know I am too late to get the December Board in our town, but I decided that I would send in my application for the March Board. Lodge No. 302 is asking, and pleading to the General Body for the March Board. It will help our lodge very very much for the Board to convene in our town. We wish to thank you very much for the extention of the dispensation, and, I think it would be advisable to extend it until the first of January. We are doing wonderful work and I think if we had the balance of the year we would do some more.

W. E, Chapman, President.

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### WATCH YOUR STEPS

In the midst of this great membership drive, it is necessary that we warn our agents, presidents and members with regards to the gain of members that are being added to the various local lodges. Any man or woman with common sense will not steal from himself, because there is nothing gained by so doing. There is nothing to gain by getting sickly people, and persons who are to old, in the H. B. A. I turned down a friend minister of mine sometime ago, whom I have known for thirty years. We are good friends. He is a good preacher, but there is a difference in friendship and business. Whenever we allow our friendship to enter into our business transaction, our business is going to the wall, we must demand that our friends toe the mark. If you want this Order to live it must live on a business basis, and not on friendship. Let us watch our steps in this membership drive, if not, the results will be destructible. Wherever we find Agents, presidents and members allowing any person to come into the Order who is not eligible, we intend to do our best to see to it that these agents, presidents and lodges suffer the consequence. Watch your steps: There are some certain presidents we are informed, who are not giving us a fair deal. Brothers and Sisters, please watch your steps. If you don't mind, you will soon be struck with a thunder bolt out of a clear sky. Please watch your steps.

It is known all over this country that the people are suffering from a financial depression. Thousands of men are jobless, this being true, it it necessary that those of us who head this concern watch our steps in order that the Organization may hold its own. Our taxes are to be paid, our notes are to be paid, the relatives of the deceased members are to be paid, the office must be run, and a score of other things must be looked after to keep this Order on the forward march It is necessary then, that we have a far seeing eye. We don't want to send out an extra assessment to pay our taxes as we did last year, therefore, we are earnestly urging that each local president do his and her best to collect from every member in the December Boards. Don't allow a single one to be left behind. Friends, we need the money. We must have the money or else. The growth of the H. B. A. for the last ninety days has been the most remarkable growth in its history. If those of us who head this concern can so plan and arrange that the local presidents and members can add members during these hard times, as has been done for the past ninety days, it is remarkable. If the local presidents and members were not satisfied, if they did not have confidence in us, if they did not believe that we could do business, if they did not believe that we were honest, if they did not believe that we could master the situation, it matters not what kind of a drive was put on, we could not add members, as we have. We have tried to watch our steps. Will you watch your?

Secretary.

### MERIDIAN

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to say to the presidents in Meridian, that the H. B. A. Board will meet December 5th, and, we feel that all of the presidents should help care for the Board on that day. I don't think any loyal member would kick about feeding a man a meal once in three months. Please notify all of your members and, I feel that they will gladly do so.

1. English, Pres. No. 69.

### TOOMSUBA

Dear Editor. Please allow me space in the columns of the Echo to let you know that lodge No. 21 is doing nicly. We are getting along nicely, and, are still adding members. We aren't taking in anybody, unless they will comply with the constitution.

Floyd Ott, President.

### WESSON

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that Friendship lodge No. 331 is doing nicely. We added three members to the lodge while the dispensation has been on. We are striving to do H. B. A. work. The members all are working in harmony with the local president.

The lodge is planning to render a program on the 11th. Pray that our work will be of some benefit to our fellowman.

W. P. Porter, President.

### H. B. A. BOARDS NOTICE

The H. B. A. Board will meet at Mt. Olive, Miss. December 8th at St. Paul Baptist Church, one mile south of Mt. Olive, with lodge No. 116 The H. B. A. Board will meet at Philadelphia, Miss. December 4th at Good Way Baptist Church, about one half mile from the court square, with lodge No. 334.

The H. B. A. Board will meet at Brookhaven, Miss. December 11th at Macedonia M. B. Church. Four miles of Brookhaven. Go through Brookhaven two mile East on highway No. 22 to a fork with a gas station on the right and a store on the left, and leave that highway to the right and come two miles on the Brookhaven and Gravel Pit road. Those who are coming through Mt. Cello, come west on highway No. 22 until you are nine miles of Brookhaven, then take the right hand curve and come five miles.

### PRIZES TO BE OFFERED

It will be remembered that we were to offer a prize to the President who sent in the largest number of applications by the close of the Boards. That prize was to have been a round trip ticket to the Board. Since the drive is being continued to the 11th of December we are offering the following prizes: The pres. sending the first highest number will receive free one H. B. A. Coat. The pres. sending in the second highest number will receive free one H. B. A. Sash The pres. sending in the third highest number will receive free one H. B. A. Collar. The pres sending in the fourth highest number will receive free one half doz. Badges. The pres. sending in the fifth highest number will receive free one half doz. new H. B. A. Pins. The pres. sending in the sixth highest number will receive free one half doz. old H. B. A. Pins. Lets go presidents, who will win the prize? Now is your chance please be careful and do not take in folks too old neither sick folks.

R. L. Y.

# Boards.

**All Boards will meet at 9:00 o'clock. Dangerous to be out late. Must finish each Board by 2;00 p. m.**

## CRANDALL

Dear Editor: This comes to let the many readers know that sister Charity Shaw, a faithful member of Calvary Hill Baptist Church, departed this life November 19th at the home of her daughter, Mr. Sarah Sterling. She had been in ill health for some time. Lodge No. 123 has lost a faithful christian, loved by all who knew her.

Her funeral was preached by the Rev. J. B. Peters. She leaves to mourn her passing two daughters one sister, a loving husband and a host of friends. Her remains were laid to rest in Calvary Hill Cemetery. A large number of friends and relatives were present to pay their last tribute of respect to the deceased. The many floral designs attested the love and esteem in which she was held.

Darling Charity, you have left us, yes you have left us for evermore, but we hope to meet you one bright and happy morning.

In the coming years, it may be in the better land, we will read the meaning of our tears, and there, we will read and understand.

Mrs. Annie L. Slay, Reporter.

## BROOKHAVEN

Dear Editor: This is to certify that lodge No. 353 has lost one of its faithful members in the person of Brother Henry Dixon, who was the vice president of said lodge.

Brother Dixon was loved by the whole lodge. He tried his bit to be true to his lodge. He departed this life November 20th, and, leaves to mourn his passing a darling wife, three children and a host of friends.

Rev. W. S. Price, Pres.

## ECHO DRIVE

We want to take in at least twenty-five new subscriptions in each Board for the Echo. What president will lead in this drive? We want each president to bring a new subscription to the Board. If you can not bring a new subscriber, renew some of the old ones.

Secretary.

## THANKSGIVING

Those of us who have been spared to witness another Thanksgiving, should feel proud. Let us remember those who are less fortunate than we. Do not forget the poor and needy ones. Remember weatsoever a man sows that shall he also reap.

Secretary.

## ANNUAL CONFERENCE CLOSES

The 20th Session of the South Mississippi Annual Conference closed Sunday night. It was the best Annual Conference witnessed in the history of South Mississippi. Splendid service was held throughout the week. All delegates were royally entertained by the members and friends of Newell Chapel Church. Not many changes were made. Rev. E. W. Washington, Presiding Elder of the Meridian District. Rev. W. H. Foster is the new Presiding Elder of the Jackson District. He takes the place of Rev. Thomas Sanders, Sr. Rev. Thomas Sanders, Jr. returns to the Gloster District. Rev. R. L. Young goes back to Newell Chapel, Rev. E. F. Young goes back to Zion Hill. Rev. S. E. Gibson goes back to Lynch Street Jackson. Rev. E. P. Moffett goes back to Pleasant Grove and Good Hope. Rev. G. C. Fairley Hattiesburg and Wiggins. Rev. H. B. Leach Basstield. Rev. W. M. Watkin Lauderdale Circuit. Rev. J. W. Brown Magee and Mt. Olive. Rev. E. M. Hill Taylorville and New Zion. Rev. W. M. Anderson Blue Springs and Prentiss. Other appointments we do not have at hand. The next Annual Conference will be held at Crystal Springs, with Rev. G. W. Wright as pastor.

About $1700.00 or more, was raised during the Conference.

## THE JUVENILE DEPARTMENT

The Juvenile Department is a great Institution for the children. It is doing fine considering the attention that is given it. Some of the guides are doing fine. They are just as dutiful as they can be. They are trustworthy with themselves and the children over which they have control. This Department could be made great if all of the guides would do their duty. Some of them do well a while, and, it isn't very long before they are shirking back. They ought to report regularly and on time.

I wish to speak to all of the presidents of the H. B. A. proper; please see to it since it is your duty to see to it that the guides of your particular lodge be prompt and be worthy of their position, or you should see to it that they be changed and others put in their places. More next time.

E. F. Young, President.


# LOOK! LOOK! GOOD NEWS

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### LAUDERDALE

Dear Editor: Please allow me space to say that the death angle has visited our lodge, and has taken one of our faithful members in the person of Bro. Luke Moore. Bro. Moore departed this life Nov. 15th. He leaves a wife, four daughters, eight sons, a host of relatives and friends to mourn his passing. Bro. Moore has been a member of lodge No. 235 for several years. He was buried with H. B. A. honors.

Jas. White, President.

### MACON

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 381 is doing nicely. We have taken in twelve new members since the September Board and we have some more on file. Peace and harmony abide in our lodge.

Rev. E. C. Spann, President.

### NEW HEBRON

Dear Editor: Please give us space in the Echo to say that lodge No. 343 has been fishing for H. B. A. members every since the dispensation has been on. We have succeeded in catching twenty five. Our people have found out that the H. B. A. is the order to belong to, and they are bringing us their money. I have fifteen more applications on file waiting for our next meeting night. We mean to go to the top.

Sam Buckley, President.

### WIGGINS

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to say that lodge No. 174 is doing nicely. Last month we added four new members to our lodge, and we are expecting some more by our next meeting night.

Jas. Fairley, President.
Lillie E. Breland, Reporter.

### BILOXI

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the readers know that lodge No. 441 is on the map. We had a great meeting last night. I am sending in for nine certificates to day, and I have more than twenty four more on file for investigation. We are now getting some of the knockers of the H. B. A. they have found out that the H. B. A. is one of the first class orders for Negroes in the State of Mississippi. I thought I would get in the race, although I am recognizing age and health as far as I know. So prize workers get busy

V. R. Chambers, President.

### PRAIRIE POINT

Dear Secretary: Please give us space in the Echo to say to the many readers that lodge No. 384 is doing fine. We have added eleven new members to our lodge since the dispensation has been on. Pray that success will be ours.

Cornelius Spann, President.

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## ROYCE

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 364 is hot and still heating. We reported twelve members in the September Board, but we hope to report thirty at the December Board. Pray that success will be ours.

Jeff Anderson, President.

## MERIDIAN

Dear Editor: Plea e allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that we the members of lodge No. 139 are doing real H. B. A. work. Love and peace abide in our lodge. We regret very much the lost of our member in the person of Charley Mesley. This member fell dead, his death was a shock to his relatives and many friends. He was a member of Pleasant Grove Baptist Church. He leaves a wife, three daughters, a host of relatives and friends to mourn his lost. We hope onr lost is heaven's gain.

Jack Davis, President.

## LAUREL

Dear Editor: Please give me space in the Echo to tell the many readers something about East Jerusaleam lodge No. 422. We meet every 2nd, and 4th Wednesday night, and we hold good spiritual and enthusiastical meetings. We made thirty six new members during the dispensation. The thirty six members that we made are real sound members, and can be depended upon. We will be glad for any of you to visit our lodge at any time, we will make it pleasant for you.

We send greetings to all H. B. A. members.

R. V. Pope, President.

## STATE LINE

Dear Editor: Plea e allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that we the members of lodge No. 301 have lost one of our faithful members in the person of sister Wandelle Bolden. Sister Bolden was a member of Mount Moris Baptist Church. She leaves a husband, four daughters, one son, a host of relatives and friends to mourn her lost.

Jas. Walley, President.
C. L. Moore, Reporter.

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By E. A. C. Jordan, Vice President
No. 270 Hattiesburg, Miss.

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And its purpose is worth while

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And in all its classes low
And for virtue, love and duty
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Where the windows are protected
And welcome with christian love.

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The poor the illiterate clans
That it is founded for the purpose
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Those who are not H. B. A. s will
you listen
To their gentle voice and hear
Listen! Listen! until your system
Feels a weight it can not bear.

Yes dear friends come on with us
Where we will sing the H. B. A. fame
Singing glory halleluiah
To the grand old Order's name

We with all our burdens lightened
Can go rejoicing on our way
To help the Youngs our path to bright
ene l
For the H. B. A. got the day.

## PELAHATCHEE

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in t e columns of the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 416 is doing nicely.

We are getting along nicely, and are still adding members. We are not taking in anybody unless they will comply with the constitution. We have added during the dispensation thirteen members, and, we are trying to g t one of the prizes that are offered through the columns of the Echo. Since we have six chances, we think we will be able to get one of the prizes.

On the 27th of November we lost one of our best members Brother Frank Graham was a faithful member to his lodge. We hope our earthly lost is heaven's gain. He leaves to mourn his passing a loving wife, five girls and two boys. Rev. J. J. Overstreet attended the funeral at Caltoge Hill Baptist Church Nov. 31.

W. M. Easterling, President.

## BROOKHAVEN

Dear Editor: Please allow us space in the columns of the Echo to say a word about lodge No. 362. Sure the Lord has blessed us. Our lodge is two years old and we haven't lost a member by death. I think we are wonderfully blessed. The dispensation has helped us greatly. We have taken in eight new memberes, and have one more on file for membership. We have elected our same shepherd boy to preside over us another two years.

The year is dying,
Time is flying,
The day has passed will be no more
Hope all a Merry Christmas and a
prosperous New Year.

Mose Walker, President.
Lillie M. Cowart, Reporter.

## MERIDIAN

Dear Editor: Please allow me space in the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 27 has lost one of its faithful members in the person of Bro. Charley Games. Bro. Games died Nov. 21st, he was a faithful member until his death. He leaves relatives and friends to mourn his lost.

Mrs. F. C. Cooley, Pres.
Mrs. Lucy Dunn, Sec'y.

## MERIDIAN

Dear Editor: Please give us space in the Echo to let the readers know that lodge No. 27 has lost another one of its members in the person of sister Ellen Marbley. Sister Marbley departed this life Nov. 27th, she was a faithful member and a willing worker. She leaves a husband, relatives and friends to mourn her lost. We hope our lost is heaven's gain.

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We need guides that will take the children and nurse them as a mother nurses her own, and, we have had guides of this kind, but they have fallen on the way side.

Most of the guides are slow and have no patience whatever with the children. They fail to make their report on time. I am sure this is because they fail to see the parents of children and inform them relative to the assessment that has been levied. Guides, you will never get anywhere by being negligent.

E. F. Young, General Pres.

## PHILADELPHIA

Dear Editor: Please allow me spaee in the columns of the Echo to let the many readers know that lodge No. 334 is doing nicely. Our lodge is still increasing its membership.

We feel that we have done a wonderful work. We have knocked kown and picked out the unbelieving world and have added all the best folks we could find. We will let you know later the number of members added to our lodge I. will assure you that we aren't ashame of the number of members added during the dispensation.

I am sorry that lodge No. 334 failed to make a round report, but I feel that the lodge is benefited after all, and everybody seems to be uplifted and inspired from the effects of the H. B. A. Board that was held here on the 4th.

Prof. H. T. Houston, Pres.

The above is the likeness of the Rev. M. B. Brown, president of the Colored Man's Business Association of America. He is a's > the found r of this organization, he is President of the Bailey Ave. Park and Negro State Fair at Jackson, Miss. He is a member of the trustee board at M. I. College Holly Springs, Miss., he is a member of the South Mississippi Annual Conference. Natural Gas has been discovered on the premises of the Bailey Ave., Park. Rev. Brown is noted for his business ability.

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HELLO, IS THIS REV. YOUNG SPEAKING? Yes, I mean is this Rev. E. F. Young? Yes. Is this the General President of the H. B. A.? This is he. Will you continue the dispensation at $1.00 per member until the 15th of Februrary and announce it through the Echo?" YES SIR, I WILL DO IT RIGHT NOW.

GOOD MORNING PRESIDENTS AND MEMBERS

The dispensation continues until February 15th, $1.00 per member. Give me 1000.00 members between now and February 15th and I will be ready to stop. Lets Go Boys.

## REV. E. F. YOUNG, General President